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REMITTING MONEY TO CHINA

PROTEST MEETING

SYSTEM USED BY EMIGRANTS TO MALAYA

SERVICE TO BE ABOLISHED

When it was made known to the Chinese public in October, 1926, by the Singapore General Post Office, following the appeal of the Chinese postal authorities, that the transmission of packages containing letters would be terminated as from January 1, 1927, on the ground that the system was detrimental to the by-laws of the International Postal Union and that each letter must be affixed with a twelve-cent stamp, there was considerable dissatisfaction, says the Chinese correspondent of the "Straits Times."

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce recently petitioned the Ministry for Communications of the Nationalist Government for the maintenance of the postal package service by means of which packages containing letters from various individuals are posted with the minimum postage under registered covers. The absence of an inter-money order service between the Straits postal authorities and the Chinese postal authorities makes it imperative necessary to maintain the service in order that remittances may be made by a Chinese to his people in the homeland. The appeal was made by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce at the instance of the Chinese people, and the "Puey Kek," (Civil Letter Office) whose business it is to receive these letters and deliver them in China, where they have their own agents.

Nanking's Attitude
The following points are adduced in support of the appeal for maintaining the service. The remittances sent are invariably small, and if they are to be sent in the ordinary way the charges would be expensive. Furthermore, there would be delay, in as much as there is no postal service in the villages of China. To this appeal the official reply from the Nationalist Deputy Minister of Communications, Mr. Wong Pak Choon, is anything but satisfactory. It states that the Nationalist Government does not regard favourably the proposal to continue the service, pointing out that its continuance would be contrary to the provisions of the International Postal Union.

In consequence a mass meeting was held at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to discuss the situation. Mr. Lim Nee Soon presiding. Mr. Nee Soon after referring to the situation created by the reply from the Nationalist Government, said that when he was in China lately he interviewed several officials on the matter and came to the conclusion that the National Government was determined to abolish the service. Continuing, he said that he had two suggestions to put before the meeting. One was to appeal again to the Chinese authorities for the maintenance of the service, and the other was to ask the Government to consider the difficulties in monetary transmission which would undoubtedly arise after the abolition of the service and to grant an extension for an unlimited period.

Effect on Poor People
Discussion ensued and the majority were of the opinion that the postage package service should be continued pro tem, in view of the frequency of highway robberies in the interior of China endangering monetary transmission, and the absence of thoroughfares in smaller villages, rendering the usual postal service impracticable. It was also made out that the abolition of the package system would make no difference to the Chinese business people, but on the poor class it would have an adverse effect. The system benefited the poor people to a great extent, especially during the internal strife in China. Furthermore, the innermost villages are invariably situated very far from the Government Post Offices and delivery of letters is bound to be delayed by the change in the system. Again, it will be necessary for the labourers, who send but a few dollars each time to their folks at home, to get someone else to write for them, the proposed change necessitating their correspondence being written in English.

The meeting resolved unanimously to petition the Chinese Government for an extension of time until

KARAKHAN REPLIES TO CHINA

SOVIET PROPOSALS

CHANG HSUEH-LIANG WRITES A LETTER

VERY GRAVE POSSIBILITIES

Moscow, Yesterday.
The Soviet Foreign Commissariat has published the reply of M. Karakhan (formerly Ambassador to China and now Vice-Commissar of Foreign Affairs) to the letter from General Chang Hsueh-liang of Manchuria, received here on Aug. 1, containing proposals for settlement of the Chinese-Eastern Railway dispute.

M. Karakhan notes that the Chinese letter completely omits an earlier proposal by Admiral Tsai Ting-kan (one time Foreign Minister of the now defunct "Northern" Government at Peking) that the Soviet appoint the manager and assistant manager of the Chinese-Eastern Railway, and that the letter contains a proposal for legalisation of the present situation created by the violent seizure of the line.

"Rests on You"
M. Karakhan declares that the Manchuria Government's new proposals constitute obvious violation of the Peking and Mukden Agreements and are contrary to the Manchuria Government's own suggestion on July 25.

Karakhan also declares that the proposals contained in General Chang Hsueh-liang's letter disrupt settlement of the dispute, which can only be effected through acceptance of the Soviet's proposals of July 25. This creates a situation fraught with very grave possibilities, M. Karakhan adds, and the entire responsibility for it rests with the National Government of China (in Nanking), and the Provincial Government of Manchuria (at Mukden).—Reuter.

Some Local History
This postal package service to China has a few interesting side-lights in so far as its local history is concerned. As early as 1886 there were many shopkeepers who acted as remittance agents, but a larger number of itinerant collectors made it their business to make trips to China at frequent intervals, bringing with them the savings of the labouring classes here to their folks in the homeland. Over a million dollars were sent from Singapore by this means in the course of a year. Mr. Ho Yang-peng, who was the first Chinese postmaster remaining in Government service for nearly twenty-one years, and who happily is still one of Singapore's valued citizens, advised local shopkeepers to undertake this business, with the result that over 300 shops commenced business as remittance agents, the itinerant collectors ceasing to exist.

Famous Riots
In December, 1876, occurred the famous Chinese Post Office riots. The local Government had decided upon the establishment of a Chinese Post Office and Money Order Office for the special convenience of the poorer classes of Chinese who sent money to China. The Chinese shopkeepers, who recognised that their business as remittance agents would be affected by the Government's proposal, deliberately misrepresented matters to their ignorant countrymen, persuading them to believe that the scheme was intended to "squeeze" the poorer classes of Chinese, and that instead of reaping the advantages they had hitherto done of transmitting small sums of money cheaply to their families in China, they would in future, in the hands of their own countrymen, be subjected to the process of squeezing which is well understood in their country.

CUSTODY OF CHILD

AMENDMENTS TO HONG KONG ORDINANCE

"OFFENCE AGAINST PERSON"

Legislation in the form of amendments to one of the older laws of the Colony of Hong Kong is proposed in connection with the custody of children and, in legal parlance, "offences against the person."

The Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, C.B.E., K.C., gives notice in the "Gazette" of his intention to introduce at the next meeting of the Legislative Council a Bill for the purpose.

Section 45 of the Offence against the Person Ordinance, 1865, Ordinance No. 2 of 1865, makes it an offence to take away a child under fourteen, by force or fraud, with intent to deprive any parent, guardian, or other person having the lawful care or charge of the child or of the possession of such child.

The Mui Tsai
In cases where a mui tsai has been enticed away from her employer, and where the authorities have been satisfied that the motive of the kidnapper was not a benevolent one but the desire of gain, the prosecution have sometimes been met by the argument that the section does not apply because the mistress of a mui tsai cannot be considered as having the lawful care or charge of the child.

BANK HOLIDAY WEATHER
A typhoon may be forming in that part of the China Sea between the Philippines and the Ladrones, the group of islands between Hong Kong and Macao. Forecast for 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow:—"South winds moderate, fair to showery."
At 11.32 a.m. the barometer reported—Pressure is highest in the Pacific to the S.E. of Japan. A depression over Tongking and a typhoon may be forming between Luzon and the Ladrones.

The Government has been advised that this argument is not sound, and that, though the employer of a mui tsai has no right whatever of retaining possession of the girl as against the girl's parents or as against the girl herself, yet her care and charge of the child is not unlawful and may be treated as a lawful care and charge for the purpose of proceeding against the kidnapper. Unfortunately, so far as is known, no decision has ever been given by the courts on the above argument, because the case has always gone off on some other ground.

A Good Defence
No apprehension is felt by the Government that the courts would hold the above defence to be a good one, but there appears to be an impression abroad that the defence is a good one, and some officers may be under the impression that it would be useless to prosecute in such a case.
The position is much the same with regard to adopted children. In order to dissipate this impression, and also to place the legal position beyond all possible doubt, it has been decided to amend the section so as to make the point clear. Accordingly, paragraph (e) of section 2 of the new Ordinance provides that for the purpose of section 45 of the principal Ordinance, i.e., for the purpose of proceeding against the kidnapper, the adoptive parent of a child under fourteen and the employer of a child under fourteen, including the employer of a mui tsai under that age, shall be deemed to have had the lawful care or charge of the child. The paragraph also provides (a) that nothing in the sub-section in question is to be construed as affecting any rights of guardianship vested in the Secretary for Chinese Affairs; and (b) that nothing in the sub-section in question shall be construed as conferring on any adoptive parent or employer any right of retaining possession of a child as against the child's parent or guardian or as against the child.

"Force or Fraud"
The opportunity is taken of making two other amendments of the same section. One of these two amendments is affected by paragraph (a) of section 2 of the new Ordinance. Section 45 of the principal Ordinance at present

BRITISH NAVAL CHANGES

HOME SERVICE

MEDITERRANEAN BATTLE FLEET REDUCED

MALTA CONGESTED

London, Yesterday.
A substantial reduction in the Mediterranean Battle Fleet is announced from Malta, the battleships "Queen Elizabeth," "Barham," "Valliant," and "Malaya" will join the Atlantic Fleet in November, the "Warspite" becoming the flagship of the Mediterranean Fleet.

Reuter learns officially that the idea is to give men more home service. It is also pointed out that Malta Harbour is congested and provides men with insufficient recreational facilities.—Reuter.

LANCS. COTTON
LATEST DEVELOPMENT IN WAGES DISPUTE
COTTON GOODS' PRICES
London, Yesterday.
The Master Spinners' Federation have appointed a special committee for the purpose of securing a general reduction in the finishing charges, which means that the bleaching, dyeing, printing and packing trades are asked to modify their charges so as to bring the price of cotton goods down.—Reuter.

reads "Every person who unlawfully, either by force or fraud, takes away any child." Some little difficulty has sometimes been felt about the words "takes away" in the case of very young children where it can hardly be said that either force or fraud is necessary for the kidnapping. Accordingly paragraph (a) of section 2 of this Ordinance deletes the words "either by force or fraud" and substitutes the words "by any means."

The other amendment is made by paragraph (b) of section 2 of the new Ordinance. Section 45 of the principal Ordinance at present provides that "no person who has claimed any right to the possession" of the child and no person who "has claimed to be the father of an illegitimate child," shall be liable to prosecution on the ground of having taken the child out of the lawful charge of some other person. No doubt these words refer to bona fide claims but it has been thought better to provide expressly that the claims must be bona fide.

Discussed 50 Years
Section 3 of the new Ordinance is an attempt to legislate for a matter which has been discussed on and on for fifty years. The section makes it an offence to take any part in any transaction the object of which is to transfer the possession of any minor under eighteen for any valuable consideration, unless the accused can prove that the transaction was bona fide and solely for a purpose of a proposed marriage or adoption in accordance with Chinese custom. The section also makes it an offence to be in possession, without lawful authority or excuse, of any such minor who has been so dealt with after the commencement of the new Ordinance, whether such minor was so dealt with within or without the Colony. An offender against the section may be sentenced to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding one year, or to both such fine and such imprisonment. No prosecution can be instituted without the consent of the Attorney General.

A Minor's Age
The section also contains three subsidiary provisions as follows:—
(a) It empowers the magistrate to "fix" the age of the minor whether evidence of age be given or not.
(b) It provides that it shall be no defence to a charge under the section that the minor consented to the transaction, or that the minor received the consideration or any part thereof, or that the accused believed or had reasonable ground to believe that the minor was not under the age of eighteen.
(c) The section also provides that nothing in it is to be construed as recognizing in any way whatever the possibility that rights of possession, custody or control over any person can be transferred or conferred for valuable consideration for any purpose.

HONG KONG'S WATER SHORTAGE

CRISIS REVIEWED

EVIDENCE OF WHAT THE ISLAND HAS BEEN THROUGH

RATIONING STEP BY STEP

Based on a report by Mr. Chadwick in 1902, the report of the Water Authority for the last rain year (Hong Kong Island) contains some interesting matter. The "rain year" begins in May (when the normal rainy season sets in) and ends, of course, with April, 1929, as has been stated in the "China Mail," produced a record minimum rainfall, the total being 59.975 inches.

The largest quantity of water impounded in the reservoirs on the 1st of any month in the rain year under review was 2,811 million gallons on August 3, 1928. The smallest, in view of the prolonged drought, would necessarily be on April 1, 1929, as has been stated in the "China Mail," produced a record minimum rainfall, the total being 59.975 inches.

The grand total consumed in the rain year was 2,835 million gallons. In the whole of May, 1928, there was an intermittent supply in all rider main districts. In June and practically the first half of July there was a constant supply. This was because 32½ of the year's 60 inches of rain fell in May and June. July was abnormally "dry." So that an intermittent supply was put on in the middle of July for the west of the city. Another 13 inches of rain fell in August and on August 8 a full supply was available again. But on September 11, moderate restrictions came into force again and, on November 1, re-closure was had to street fountains, the rationing becoming worse and worse until the recent rainfall.

Last Eight Months
From February 1, 1929, assistance from the Takoo Sugar Refinery's reservoir was accepted. As from March 21, 1929, water had to be brought across to the Island from the mainland.
What Hong Kong has been through is revealed in the rainfall for the last eight months of the rain year (September 1928 to April, 1929). This amounted to less than 9 inches!

The estimated population for Hong Kong Island for the whole year is given as 427,400 but general opinion is that this is much below the real figure. The consumption per head per day for the whole year was 17.9 gallons, including trade supply.

LI CHAI-SUM

MAY NOT BE RELEASED FOR MONTHS

DISBANDMENT FIRST?

Shanghai, Yesterday.
In spite of the decision of the Central Political Council in Nanking to release Li Chai-sum, formerly administrator in Canton, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is still sanctioning Li Chai-sum's continued detention at Tongshan. It is believed here that Chiang Kai-shek may not liberate his erstwhile political enemy until the Military Disbandment programme has been carried out, which may not actually take place for several months to come.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

ELECTRIC

A WORLD-WIDE WORKING AGREEMENT

GERMAN AND U.S. CONCERNS

Berlin, Yesterday.
A world-wide working agreement has been concluded between the Allgemeine Elektrizitaets Gesellschaft and the General Electric Company of America, by which the latter acquires a nominal 80,000,000 marks worth of shares in the former.—Reuter.

BRITAIN AND EGYPT

BRITISH CABINET APPROVES OF DRAFT TREATY

DETAILS TO BE PUBLISHED

London, Yesterday.
The Cabinet has approved of the Anglo-Egyptian draft treaty, details of which will be published as soon as possible.—Reuter.

IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse—and Worse

Who saw the thunder bolt?
Where did it bolt to?
Howitt tried to gain Preston but Jowitt wouldn't allow it.
Newspaper heading: "Motor Cases in Court."—Attache cases?
The Siberian mails have been frozen out.
The Fire Brigade seems to be a "fine" body of men.
The Football Council appear to have sat on Saint James.
Mr. P. Sands took away some silver junk with him.
"Health returns" should be health departs.
The "Upside" folk have a gronse-Indian "bobbies" now wear a smart Peak cap!
An unclaimed telegram is addressed to "Whiskens"—Not whiskers?
The "Daily Press" has generously given Mr. R. K. Valentine the degree of M.D.
Newspaper heading: "Water Pouring in Reservoirs."—Not in buckets this time?
Sergeant Barnicle seems to stick like a barnacle to the defaulting hawkers in Kowloon.
When Joe Fraser ships for the K.C.C. you can always be sure of a most conversational fraysir.
One of the objects of the General Chamber of Commerce is the development of Key Industries.
"A cow caught in a fishing net."—Hope she didn't hurt the calf of her leg.
A free ticket for the 30 cent seats is to be presented to the film critic who coined the horrible word "preview" in a recent column.
The Football Association may not have the Bank of England behind it, but it has the French Bank below it.
The Chinese Police Reserve gave H.M.S. "Castor" a dose of oil at billiards on Thursday evening.
There may be no skating facilities on the Island, but we can always depend on a landslide here or in Kowloon.
Appropos the British-Russian conversations the "Telegraph" says that "the British attitude is was not made clear."—That's not any clearer, anyway.
"Old Soak," Colonel H. C. Stimson's pet parrot, has been allowed into America from the Philippines.—And America supposed to be "agin" all "soaks."

Reports the "Daily Press": "The gallant thieves managed to overcome the old couple."—Why the bouquet for cowardly armed robbers?
Interesting to note there is such a place as Meichow Hotel.—Sounds just like the chap who told a pal to meet him at my Club—the Hong Kong Club, don'tcherknow?
According to the "Daily Press" the lawn bowls official programme is expected to close at the end of this week.—In that case the postponed matches will all be unofficial affairs, and the League Championship has already been decided!
"Italian volcano in eruption."—Mussolini busy again.
Bleriot again flies the Channel.—Not bleerkey!
The "O" class of submarines are being sent out here.—O!
Newspaper heading: "Punch Instead of Payment."—A rather rum affair!

"Lok Sun" Sold.—Also the chappie who blamed pirates for the fire aboard.
"Telegraph" heading: "Sincere Jewellery Robbery.—The jewellery was sincere and Sincere's."
A wealthy mother can afford to eat all the gilt off the hard gingerbread of motherhood.
Turf club enclosures are places where people congregate in order to regard each other suspiciously.
"Her niece is rather good looking, eh?" "Don't say 'knees is': say 'knees are'."
What we want to know is when and where Mussolini spends his summer holidays.
Houseboy announcing the arrival of a letter: "Have catches two piece amah dog an' four piecee coollie."
I want some ale."
"Pale?"
"No just a bottle."
No matter what his poundage may be a grocer simply hates being called a light-weight champion.
Notice to scandal-mongers: It took only one serpent to make all the trouble in the Garden of Eden.
Monday's "Daily Press": "The forecast is 'cloudy, with occasional rain,' so more rain" may be expected next week.—A long way to look ahead!

A new car on the American market is called the "Roosevelt." It seems an unfortunate name remembering Roosevelt's rough riding propensities.
Was it a coincidence that Sergeant Flattery was engaged in a Court case in which Mr. Loseby had a "charming lady" as client?—A "Sincere" compliment, doubtless!
The film critic of a morning paper is sorry that she "led at least one person astray."—The young Adam and the old Eve!
The assistant secretary of the Steel Coulson's Billiards League is Mr. H. Trickey.—Which explains the number of tricky shots seen already in the matches played.
Thus the "Daily Press":—"There were very heavy showers, so heavy in fact that the figure, satisfactory as it is, is probably smaller than was expected."—That's quite clear—as mud!
"Expanding" the report of a cricket match concluded on Monday the local "Telegraph" of Tuesday asserts that "Glamorgan to-day were always puzzled by the bowling of Voce and S. Staples."—Sotto voce?
'Tis at least three or four weeks since a contemporary had daily recourse to an "urge"; but the "urge" cropped up in an outside correspondent's "furious urge" on Tuesday.—The urge to write seems urging and urgent at times!
A cable in the "Philippines Herald" on the sustained flight record at St. Louis says: "For many years thousands have jammed the Lindbergh—St. Louis flying field here waiting to see Jackson and O'Brien come to earth.—Sure that was some flight, bo!"
There was a young man of Hong Kong—
Who lived in the lounge all day long—
As his bills mounted higher—
He drew nigher and nigher—
A cuticle life in Hong Kong.
Then the lizard remarked, "This is wrong."
So he spelt his name with a dip-hong—
And stuck in a hyphen—
And soon got a wife in—
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Hong Kong, 30th July, 1929.

NOTICE.

AGENTS and OWNERS are notified that SHIPPING SUPPLIES OF WATER are available through the Water Bogs Companies at the usual rates.

By Order,
H. S. ROUSE,
Secretary,
Water Emergency Committee.
Hong Kong, August 1, 1929.

NOTICE.**SANITARY DEPARTMENT**

OWING to the Suspected Presence of Rabies in that part of the New Territory adjacent to Chinese Territory members of the public are reminded that NO DOG may be brought to another part of the Colony from the New Territory except by the written permission of the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon.

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WALTER J. E. MACKENZIE,
Colonial Veterinary Surgeon.
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Hong Kong, August 2, 1929.

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NOTICES.**NOTICE.**

ON SUNDAY & MONDAY, August 4 and 5, the Association's Patrols will not be on duty at the Kowloon Ferry.
They will be on duty at 15½ miles on the Castle Peak Road, so that members who wish to go beyond the landslide can leave their cars at that point and proceed to their destination by bus.
Hong Kong, 1st August, 1929.

RE L. M. WHYTE, DECEASED.

ALL PERSONS having any claims against the Estate of the above-named deceased are requested to send the Particulars thereof as soon as possible to the undersigned.

A. RITCHIE,
c/o Lowe, Bingham & Matthews,
3, Queen's Road Central.
Hong Kong, 1st August, 1929.

JORDAN HOUSE
The Hong Kong Missionary Home,
227/9 Nathan Road,
KOWLOON.

IT has been brought to my Notice that a person (or persons) is going round the Colony asking for subscriptions to support a Missionary Home.

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ELIZABETH MACKAY,
Proprietress.
Hong Kong, August 2, 1929.

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C. F. V. RIBEIRO,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 30th July, 1929.

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LEAGUE'S WORK

A "CUSHY" JOB AT GENEVA.

BEHIND THE SCENES

[By Leslie R. Aldous]

Now that the International Labour Conference of the League of Nations has come to an end after a session lasting three weeks, the men and women on the staff of the League's International Labour Office will have a sigh of relief. During Conference time, the discussions of delegates on the "Eight Hours Day" hold for them a bitter irony. It is not so much the plenary meetings of the full Conference as the innumerable committees and sub-committees which tax the resources of the I.L.O. staff to the utmost. In June, one of these committees alone had held 23 meetings, in the course of which it dealt with 200 amendments. The unfortunate secretary of this committee simply could not call his soul his own. No one occasion he entered the committee room at 10 o'clock in the morning and was not able to leave it until 8 o'clock on the following night. It was a common thing, during the Conference, for the I.L.O.'s international civil servants to work from 9 o'clock in the morning until 2 or 3 a.m. the next day.

A similar stress, of course, is true the League of Nations Secretariat when the League Assembly meets during September. There, in addition to the Assembly itself, six big Commissions are regularly in session. Every delegate and journalist to Geneva knows how, within an hour or two of these meetings, accurate reports of the speeches, in English or in French, are placed in his hands. At other times of the year, too, there is plenty of work to keep the staff going. Not only are the Secretariat and the International Labour Office in constant touch with all Governments of the world, but every month perhaps as many as a dozen League Comferences and committee meetings are held, dealing with the hundred and one problems of "international co-operation."

Reverting to the recent International Labour Conference, the Director of the Office (M. Albert Thomas) believes that it has been the most successful of the twelve held since 1919. The way has been cleared for the adoption, next year, of an international Convention against forced labour. "Hours of work of salaried employees" was also discussed for the first time, and an agreed questionnaire on the subject will now be circulated to all Governments. A whole series of measures dealing with various aspects of accident prevention in industry has been accepted by the delegates. These include a Convention on the protection of workers engaged in loading and unloading ships and recommendations for the marking of weights on packages intended for shipment, on the protection of power-driven machinery and on reciprocity as regards accident prevention.

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8 p.m.—Evening Programme.
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8.45 p.m.
"La Boheme" (Puccini), Selection.
New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra.
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9.30 p.m.
"The Merchant of Venice" (Rosse), Incidental Music, Organ Solo.
Quentin MacLean.
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10.15 p.m.
"Jolly Fellows", Waltz.
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Anton Weiss & The New Concert Orchestra.
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

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Mr. Reginald Langborne Brooks, a nephew of Lady Astor, M.P., with his pilot, had a narrow escape when his amphibian aeroplane nose-dived in Manhasset Bay and fell into the water upside down.

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KING OF SIAM

DECISION TO PROCEED WITH HIS TOUR

SAILS FOR SINGAPORE

Bangkok, July 25.
In spite of the illness of Prince Mahidol, the heir to the Throne, the plans of the King of Siam for his visit to Singapore and Java have not been changed. The King, accompanied by the Queen, left at eleven o'clock this morning in the Royal yacht Maha Chakri, escorted by a war vessel.

Two days ago there was some doubt as to whether the tour would be carried out, but yesterday afternoon a final decision was reached. His Majesty was influenced in his decision by the inconvenience which would be suffered and the expense incurred in the Straits and Java if the arrangements were cancelled at this late hour.

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10	.52
11	2.59
12	1.17
13	1.25
14	1.14
15	.75
16	—
17	—
18	—
19	—
20	.96
21	2.81
22	3.05
23	.78
24	.14
25	.12
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ALABAMA MARU (From Shanghai) Wednesday, 14th August.
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RAIPONG MARU... Wednesday, 7th August.
MENADO MARU... Thursday, 8th August, 10 a.m.
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NORTH-EAST COAST

NEW CONTRACTS ARE WELCOME

DECREASE IN LAUNCHINGS

The slight revival in shipbuilding is very welcome after the very quiet time which has been experienced for several weeks, and there is a hope that business will continue to improve, and that more orders will be forthcoming. Six or seven new contracts have been placed on the North-East Coast during the past two weeks, and as it is known that more inquiries are in circulation, it is probable that some shipbuilders will receive further good news.

The principal contract placed is that for a motor vessel, which is to be built by Messrs. Hawthorn, Leslie and Co., Hebburn, for the Blue Funnel Line, which, together with the second collier ordered by Stephenson, Clarke and Co. of London, has considerably improved the prospects during the latter months of the year.

Output on the Tyne so far this year is below that of the corresponding period of last year, and it would be unfortunate if at the end of the year the total tonnage was less than last year. It would certainly leave those who prophesied a boom a difficult question to answer, but it is much to be preferred that this year turns out to be better than last year.

So far this year 27 vessels of 89,952 tons have been launched on the Tyne, as compared with 39 vessels and 149,259 tons in the corresponding five months of 1928, the decrease representing 12 vessels and 60,307 tons.

That is a substantial figure, but there is reason to believe that much of the way will be made up during the next month or two, and the work in hand and in prospect is greater than it was in the closing months of last year, when, it will be remembered, a complete slump set in.

Foreign work is still coming forward, and fifty per cent. of the latest orders are for foreign owners. It is interesting that the Cowpen Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Co., Blyth, have booked an order for a collier for Dutch owners.

The coal steamer is doing remarkably well, and is undoubtedly assisting shipowners, and also ship-repairers, for it means that ships have to be docked for various reasons. At times there is a shortage of vessels for coals, and this may encourage owners to contract for more steamers.

Tyneside shipyard and works were idle on the occasion of the Race Week festival. Palmers' yards, Barrow and Hebburn, closed down.

Another Locomotive Carrier Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitworth and Co., Ltd., are completing at their Walker shipyard another interesting locomotive carrying vessel, the *Belvoir*, for Norwegian owners. The principal feature of the vessel is a 100-ton crane which is fitted on board and is used for lifting heavy locomotives and railway cars. The crane consists of a heavy steel mast 52 feet in height and a derrick 52 feet in length, and power is supplied by two 20-ton steam winches. In a successful test made on the *Belvoir*, the crane lifted a load of 110 tons of large pig-iron slabs from the jetty to the main hatchway of the ship.

Iron and steel manufacturers are well booked ahead. Palmers Co. have restarted two blast-furnaces, and it is reported that the Steel Company's works, which have been shut down since 1921, are to be reopened in a month or so. During May the shipments of pig-iron from Middlesbrough showed an increase of over 2,000 tons on the previous month's figure. The total was 32,718 tons, including 11,601 tons coastwise and 21,057 tons to foreign ports, the total being the largest figure for several years.

Mr. G. A. Westlake, a student of Rutherford Technical College, Newcastle, who has been awarded the Lloyd's Register Scholarship of the Institute of Marine Engineers, value £100 per annum, and tenable for three years, at a University, is an apprentice engineer with Messrs. Hawthorn, Leslie and Co., Ltd., at their St. Peter's Works, Newcastle.

Plenty of Repair Work Ship-repairers have little cause to complain about business, for vessels are coming forward regularly, and few docks are idle for long. For practically all firms the year has been a good one up to the present.

A new contract booked by Palmers Company is the steamer *Hedgehope*, which has received bottom damage, and has been docked at Jarrow. The Albionstar and Gallestar are also coming for repairs. The British Courage is still in dock at Hebburn, and good progress is being made with the work of converting the *Hectoria* into a floating whale oil factory. Extensive repairs to the *Valemore* are nearing completion at Jarrow. The *Sicilian Prince* is also due for discharge.

The Mercantile Dry Dock Company, Jarrow, have their docks occupied by the *Glenlass*, survey; the *Cornwall*, bottom repairs; and the *Redgate*, survey. The *Flashlight* and *Copenhagen* are repairing aloft. The *King Robert* and the *Stylian* Cosulichs are also due for repairs. The *Wallend Slipway* and Engineering Company have docked the *Kentworth* and have the Port Bowen repairing alongside.

Messrs. Swan, Hunter, and Wigham Richardson, Wallsend-on-Tyne, have the *Wendell*, a Greek vessel, is also repairing in dock. The *Linkmore* has completed extensive repairs.

Messrs. Wm. Gray and Co., Ltd., West Hartlepool, are carrying out repairs in dry dock to the *New Westminster* City, and also to the *Wm. N. Roussea*, Stonepool, Willowpool, and Zembra.

An additional arrival at Gleadon yard, Willington Quay, is the *Emily*, which has been docked, and the *Loch* side is also in dock.

Messrs. Hawthorn, Leslie and Co., Hebburn, have commenced extensive repairs on the Norwegian *Caranda*, which will occupy about five weeks.

SHIPPING SECTION.

With such facilities at their command it is not to be wondered at that Smith's Dock Company are receiving several vessels. At North Shields the *Peter* (British Ensign, Brixton, Bedeburn and Inge Maersk are in dock, and repairs aloft are proceeding to the *Sorvanger*, *Hindpool* and *San Joaquin*.

At their Tees yard the firm has in dock the *Camarshenshire*, *Southern Wave*, *Cardiganshire* and new whalers built at the South Bank yard.

The *Glynymei* is still in dock at the Tyne Dock Engineering Company's yard, and the *Kingsley* is repairing alongside.

The *Shields Engineering Co.*, North Shields, are repairing 82 Lightship in dock and 64 Lightship alongside.

The *Highland Warrior* is in dock at the Middle Dock Engineering Co.'s yard, and the *Essex Glade* and *Glenace* are under repair alongside.

Messrs. Baird Bros., North Shields, have the *Dunelm* in dock and the *Leam* and *Cowes* alongside.

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ing the *Fifeness*, which was in collision with the Spanish steamer *Villema*, and the *Dionysios*, which has been ashore in the Baltic is another concern in hand.

On the *Wear* the *Teesdair* is in No. 1 Gravel Dock, the *Charterhaven* in Greenwell's dock, the *Lucent* in Austin's dock, the *Sands* at Clark's quay, and the *Thistle* and *Vestal* at Laing's quay.

The *Cawpen* Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Co., Blyth, and Messrs. V. Gray and Co., Hartlepool, also have repair work in hand.

The Blyth Company has secured a contract for repairing the Norwegian steamer *Falken*, which will last two weeks. The *Neritos*, a Greek vessel, is also repairing in dock.

The *Linkmore* has completed extensive repairs. Messrs. Wm. Gray and Co., Ltd., West Hartlepool, are carrying out repairs in dry dock to the *New Westminster* City, and also to the *Wm. N. Roussea*, Stonepool, Willowpool, and Zembra.

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SHIPBUILDING

REPORT OF SHIPBUILDERS' CHAMBER

Interesting data about conditions in the French shipbuilding industry, are given in the very comprehensive report presented to the annual meeting of the Chamber Syndicale des Constructeurs de Navires et de Machines Marines (Syndical Chamber of French Ship and Marine Engine Builders), the president of which is M. René Poul, chairman of the Chantiers et Ateliers de St. Nazaire Penhoët; the general secretary is M. E. Verge.

After remarking that the new organisation of the association as provided for in the meetings held in March, 1928, has been now working for over a year, the report states that special attention has been paid to the question of ship-repairing in Britain, and that the Chamber has decided to create a special section for ship-repairers; following on this decision Messrs. Beland, Crighton and Cie, ship-repairers at Havre and Dunkirk, have asked to be admitted.

The report further states that on January 1 last there were under construction in France 25 vessels aggregating 161,666 tons gross, of which 11 are to be steam driven and 11 Diesel driven. Vessels under construction above 1,000 tons included 9 passenger vessels (93,200 tons), 1 cargo vessel (3,300 tons), and 6 tankers (46,600 tons).

Cargo Ships Special interest attaches to the practically total stoppage of the building of cargo ships, which is evidence of the persistent crisis now prevailing in the shipbuilding industry.

Such depression is further shown by the fact that during 1928 only 15 vessels aggregating 53,200 tons were launched from French yards whereas the normal output of the French merchant fleet (3,890,000 tons) would call for the launching of about 200,000 tons per annum.

While the state subsidy scheme known as Credit Maritime constitutes the first sign of interest on the part of the state towards the shipbuilding industry since the war, this step has not brought about very substantial achievements; following on the granting of three loans applying to the building of five vessels (37,000 tons), applications for loans under the Credit Maritime have ceased for over 6 months, but there are signs of further demands.

The Dawes Plan

The report further sets forth that very satisfactory achievements have been carried out by French shipbuilders and marine engine builders in connection with the building of the new warships included in the French naval programme as was evinced by the remarkable speed attained by some of these ships, (*Guise*, *Guiraud* and *Duquesne*) over 36 knots; *flotilla* leaders *Guépard* and *Valmy* respectively 38.45 knots and 39.35 knots; submarine *Redoubtable*, over 19 knots.

Special stress is laid upon the severe competition arising from the enforcement of the reparations in kind as introduced by the Dawes Plan; in the course of 1928 no fewer than 10 vessels aggregating 45,000 tons were so ordered by French shipowners from German firms, apart from machinery orders.

That French shipbuilders have been making serious efforts to join forces is fully evinced by the liquidation of two shipyards, by the joining of a shipyard with another one, and by the recent reconstitution of two shipbuilding firms; real concentration has thus been achieved, and the re-organised Syndical Chamber has played an important role in this connection.

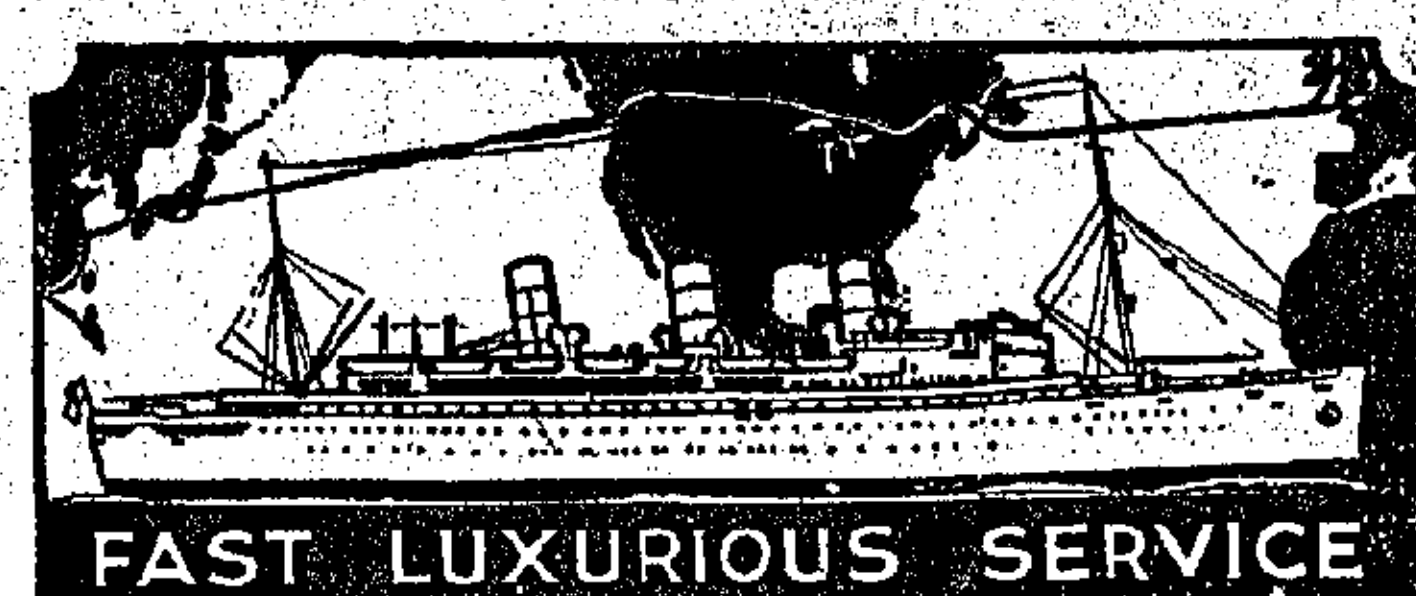
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MOREA	10,953	14th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
MANTUA	10,946	28th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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DALGOMA	5,953	4th Sept.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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TANDA	6,956	5th Aug.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
		7 a.m.	
DALGOMA	5,953	Yoch	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*SHEAFMOUNT		12th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MOREA	10,953	16th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	6,949	18th Aug.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*GARBETA	5,327	20th Aug.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KARMALA	9,128	30th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NAGPORE	5,231	1st Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*MIRZAPORE	6,715	10th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	11th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
ALFURA	5,273	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
MANTUA	10,946	18th Sept.	Shanghai.
*KIDDERPORE	5,334	25th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.

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EASTERN PORTS

PLAGUE, CHOLERA AND
SMALL-POX

The health bulletin of Eastern ports
for the week ended July 27, issued
by the Director of Medical and Sanitary
Services, gives the following
cases, the figures in parentheses in-
dicating deaths:—

Plague: Tamsate 1, Alexandria 2,
Port Said 1, Basra 3, Rangoon
(4), Pnom Penh (3), Saigon 1 (1),
Philippine 3, Tientsin (Mongolia)
13.
Cholera: Calcutta (28), Bangkok 2,
Pnom Penh (1), Saigon 2 (1), Shang-
hai (2).
Small-pox: Aden 22 (17), Bombay
21 (15), Calcutta 5 (3), Karachi 34,
Madras 54, Moulmein 5 (1), Pondi-
cherry 9 (1), Macassar 6 (2), Belu-
wan Deli 1 (1), Saigon 1, Canton
1.
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis: Balik-
papan (1), Shanghai (4).

GERMAN JUDGMENTS

EXTRA CHARGES FOR
DISCHARGE

Two interesting cases, identical in
principle, yet each resulting in a
different verdict being returned, have
recently been tried by the Hamburg
Sensate High Court. The point at
issue was the fixing of responsibility
for extra charges incurred through
discharge on quay instead of over-
side. Both consignments were
covered by English bills of lading.
The first case concerned a consign-
ment of wheat of 3,200 tons, which
was landed on quay instead of over-
side, to avoid delaying the ship, the
court holding the shipper responsi-
ble for the extra cost incurred. The
second case concerned a parcel of
ground nuts of 400 tons, part of
a cargo of 2,600 tons, the court in
this case declaring the receivers res-
ponsible. The bills of lading cover-
ing these consignments contained no
clauses governing the discharge, but
the wheat bills of lading contained a
clause to the effect that in case of
disputes the English law should be
applied, the leaving vessels load-
ed with various consignments and
not under charter free to choose their
own place of discharge, subject al-
ways to the custom of the port.

The bills of lading for the ground
nuts although made out for a British
vessel, did not contain the above-
mentioned clause, and therefore,
came under the German code, un-
der which the vessel, owing to the
absence of instructions from receivers
as to place of discharge, should
follow the custom of the port, which
was done by berthing at a quay. The
court decided that the custom of the
port is for bulk goods to be dis-
charged overboard and general cargo
on to quays.

The court also ruled that both
these parcels could be treated as bulk
goods, because they considered that
bulk goods which, in relation to their
bulk, had a comparatively low value
and the cost involved in discharging
them on to quays would be such as
to have a detrimental influence on
their market value. In both cases
the receivers pleaded that the goods
could not stand the extra charges.

Granting that both commodities
came under the heading of bulk
goods, the court yet held that in
order to qualify for this description
they should have been shipped as
such, which, however, excluded small
parcels of such commodities.

The wheat consisted of one intact
parcel separated from other consign-
ments, and could be discharged with-
out difficulty and without delaying
the vessel. The ground nuts, how-
ever, consisted of a parcel of 400
tons, parts of a cargo of 2,600 tons
and 974 packages of horn. The 400
tons were stored in different holds.
Owing to the storage of this cargo
it was decided that overboard delivery
was impracticable, the more so as
sorting to marks had to take place,
as well as weighing, the freight be-
ing payable on weight discharged.
If all these operations had to be
carried out in mid-stream, the vessel
would have been unduly delayed,
therefore the expenses incurred for
discharge on to quay came for ac-
count of receivers.

These judgments emphasise the
fact that shippers should see to it
that bulk goods are stowed in such
a manner that they can be discharg-
ed as such.

HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been
obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting
Machine, which includes 40 compo-
nents for the better prediction of tides,
from the result of the analysis of the
tidal observations, taken at the Kow-
loon tidal observatory under the
direction of Dr. Doherty during the
years 1897, 1898 and 1899.
The times and heights are given for
Kowloon, but they may be used for
the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen,
the differences being very small.
The times of high and low-water
must not be considered to coincide
with the times of slack-water and
change of current, the two phenomena
being quite distinct.

August 3 to 9, 1929.				
DATE	Standard Time	High Water	Low Water	Standard Time
August 3	4 m 7.13	7.45	0 m 0.42	2.4
Sun. 4	5 m 8.14	7.9	0 m 1.18	3.4
Mon. 5	6 m 9.15	8.41	0 m 2.03	4.4
Tues. 6	7 m 10.16	8.92	0 m 2.90	5.4
Wed. 7	8 m 11.17	9.43	0 m 3.78	6.4
Thurs. 8	9 m 12.18	9.94	0 m 4.65	7.4
Fri. 9	10 m 13.19	10.45	0 m 5.52	8.4

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AGED BY TIME

EMPIRE TRADE

TRIBUTE TO LORD KYLSANT'S
WORK

SOUTH AFRICA & GERMANY

London, Wednesday.
Several tributes to the remarkable
work done for Empire trade expan-
sion, through shipping, by Lord
Kylsant were made at the meeting of
the Federation of Chambers of Com-
merce of the British Empire, held at
the Savoy Hotel.

Lord Iveagh, C.B., C.M.G. (pres-
ident), proposing "Our Guest," at the
luncheon, said:—"This is the first oc-
casion upon which, as your president,
I have the honour of presiding, and
I should like, and I am sure you
would wish me, at the outset to pay
a sincere tribute to the work accom-
plished by my predecessor in office,
Lord Kylsant, during three strenuous
years. Lord Kylsant, as you know,
went out to Cape Town to preside
over the eleventh congress, the
eleventh of a series which began as far
back as 1886. His devotion to the
commercial and industrial interests of
the Empire, the development of which
is the objective of the Federation, set
an example which it will be difficult
to equal. (Applause.) The twelfth
congress will take place next year in
London. Judging by the past we may
anticipate a representative atten-
dance from all over the Empire, and
with Mr. Bruce's statesmanlike appeal
before us for the co-operation of busi-
ness men in the welding of the Em-
pire into an economic unit, we shall,
I trust, not fail to take full advantage
of the occasion."

Sir James Parr, K.C.M.G. (High
Commissioner for New Zealand), re-
plying to the toast, referred to the
principal guests, amongst whom was
Lord Passfield. "In my degenerate
years," Lord Passfield, he added.
"Although he is now Lord Passfield, I
consider he is the greatest Fabian of
them all. I put much of his practical
teachings into use, but I did so under
the guise of a Tory minister of educa-
tion. (Laughter.) He believed progress would come
under the guidance of Lord Passfield,
through "the inevitability of gradual-
ness." The outlook for the Dominions
was particularly good, and he hoped
the new Colonial Secretary would not
be hard on the new organisation
known as the Empire Market-
ing Board, which so far, had
received more kicks than half-
pence. He believed England would
pull through her financial crisis,
because her business men showed so
much grit—so many companies which
had not paid dividends for years, were
still carrying on."

Wireless Developments
Lord Iveagh, who was re-elected
president, referred at the annual meet-
ing to wireless and air services. He
said:

For many years the Federation has
been urging on the Governments of
the Empire the need for linking up
every portion by wireless; as you
know, from causes which it is unneces-
sary to specify now, progress in
this direction was for years exasperat-
ingly slow. The difficulties were even-
tually overcome, however, and, largely
owing to the introduction of the
"beam" system, to-day it may be said
that there are few parts of the Em-
pire which still remain outside the
wireless system. The latest develop-
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METAL CORROSION

EFFECT OF RATE OF WATER
FLOW

The importance on velocity of
water flow as affecting corrosion of
tubes was clearly demonstrated in a
recent experiment conducted before mem-
bers of the Institution of Civil En-
gineers. The experiment was con-
ducted by Major J. N. Dundas
Heenan, in order to illustrate the
difference between turbulent and
stream-line flow of water in regard
to the corrosive action on metal, par-
ticularly steel.

By means of tanks and a pump a
continuous and smooth jet or water
tally about one inch below the nozzle.
of about half-inch in diameter on to
a circular steel plate placed horizon-
tally about one inch below the nozzle.
The plate was about 10 in. in di-
ameter and the surface had been
ground flat, polished, and cleaned
with ether to remove any trace of
grease. The water discharged at a
constant velocity, spreading from the
centre all over the surface of the
plate, and each particle of water as
it travelled away from the centre
naturally decreasing in velocity.

It was found that at a point de-
termined by the rate of flow a cir-
cular wave was formed on the plate
concentric with the centre of the
plate, and the velocity of the water was
altered, by opening or closing a stop
valve from the down pipe, the di-
ameter of the circular wave increased
or decreased. This wave indicated
the transition from turbulent flow to
stream-line flow. The valve on the
down pipe having been set so that
the diameter of the wave was about
4 in., a constant flow was maintain-
ed for some time. It was soon not-
iced that where the water was in
stream-line flow, on the plate outside
the wave diameter, small bubbles
formed and remained, whereas on the
surface of the plate inside the di-
ameter of the wave, where the water
was in turbulent flow, no bubbles
adhered to the plate's surface.

After the lapse of a few hours
the outer diameter of the plate start-
ed to corrode, while the inner di-
ameter showed no traces of corrosion.
The explanation of this is that where
the water is in turbulent flow the
small bubbles of oxygen are swept
away and, therefore, cannot act on
the metal. When the velocity of the
water has fallen below that required
for turbulent flow and stream-line
flow occurs, the bubbles are not
swept away, but cling to the plate
surface, which they corrode.

The same experiment was made in
order to determine the most suit-
able velocity of water flow to avoid
internal corrosion in the steel tubes
of the Foster economiser. It clearly
demonstrated that the flow of water
through the tubes of an economiser
should be above the critical velocity,
so as to give turbulent flow, and per-

mit the scrubbing action of the water
to prevent the small bubbles of
oxygen from adhering to the internal
surface of the tubes and damaging
them.

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ping stiths, who has been appoint-

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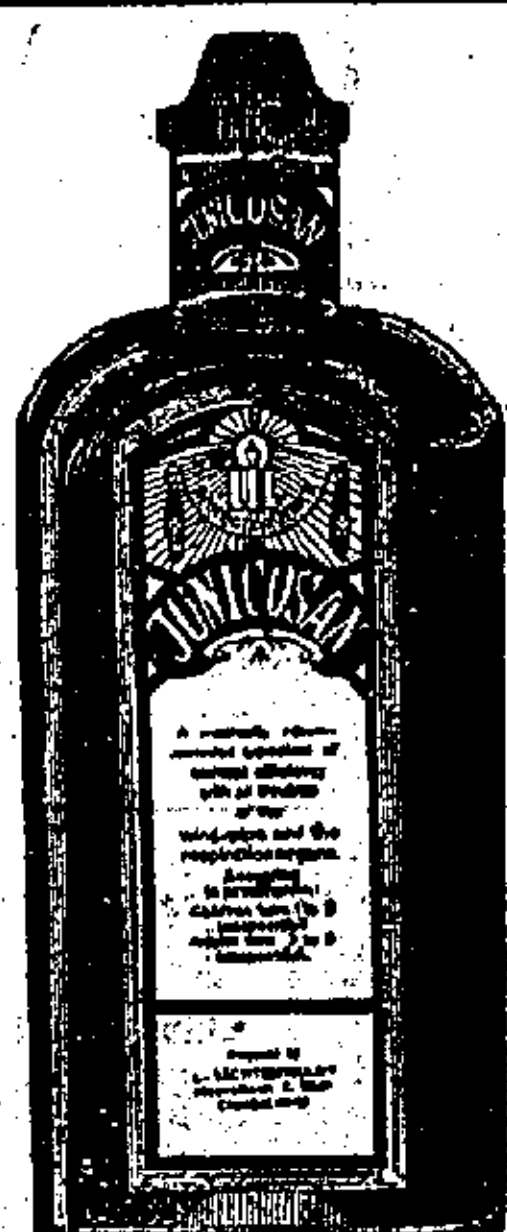
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STILL WATERS

Our water problem having been a problem—at least for the present—satisfactorily settled by the timely intervention of Jupiter Pluvius, the rain god so frequently and fervently referred to by sports reporters, we must of necessity turn in another direction for a suitable subject of comment.

Before doing so we A Humble will merely Hint state that should the Colony ever again be in the unfortunate pickle that it has been in during the recent past over the water problem, we would humbly suggest that, at the outset, Mr. Jupiter Pluvius be asked to become a member of the Emergency Committee. His omission was surely a regrettable oversight!

As it is, however, ever, per "Still Waters" has natural that under such a caption as "Still Waters" we should be reluctant to refrain from comment upon the water shortage problem, perhaps we may be permitted, before finally "drying up" on this watery subject, to say what was done in a small Scottish town afflicted in a manner similar to Hong Kong. It is an interesting and appropriate little story, and may thus be told:

Once upon a time, the drought had been unduly prolonged, the townfolk's "meenister" uttered fervent prayers for rain. And they got it. It simply teemed; so very much so that both spiritual shepherd and flock were more alarmed about the deluge than they had been about the drought. It meant the ruin of the crops if this sort of thing continued much longer.

So, at the next Too Much: service in the Much kirk, when it was Too Much still teeming, parson and congregation gathered anxiously at one of the windows and gazed at the downpour and the sodden overcast heavens. "O Lord" (said the good old "meenister," casting his eyes upwards). "Thou hast heard our prayer, no doubt, no doubt; and hast harkened unto it, no doubt, no doubt; but, good Lord, this is too much, much too much." Perhaps the rain then stopped.

And while we The Shanghai Hong Kong-landers' Lament lies are rejoicing in our rather belated downfalls of rain, Shanghai-landers, we read, have dry throats after uttering maledictions against an unkind fate that has caused them of late to suffer the most terrific downpours, unprecedented during the past fifty years. While the Whangpoo meanders along on its chocolate coloured course, Shanghai-landers have no wish for rain, as it is from that sluggish river that their water supply is taken.

Can it be possible That Is The sible that our Question? watery Jupiter Pluvius, in deluging the northern port so copiously, mistook Shanghai for Hong Kong? This almost seems like adding insult to injury; but to which city? "That is the question!"

Too late now, Done By, but when the next The Sun Big Drought does come the Emergency Committee of that day may like to know well in advance that the ever-resourceful French colonists have been making drinkable distilled water from sea water by means of an ordinary garden frame and as a result, at one very dry station at Ant-

fagasta, in the Chile desert of Atacama, no less than 22 tons of distilled water have been made daily from sea water containing five times as much salt as the water of the Mediterranean Sea.

Slanting panes of How It's glass are arranged Done so that the vapour of the warm sea water goes into a gully which collects it in a tank. The condensed water contains no salt, and is quite pure. The warmth in Paris in summer has been enough to cause this condensation, and in many French colonies this simple method of obtaining pure water is now to be put into practice. Seems from this that the Shing Mun valley plus harbour pipe line scheme here is of no use after all!

Local film "fans" Our Local and others have of Films late had quite a lot of talk about the "movies." So much, in fact, that they should now be quite qualified to say something of the "talkies." As to what constitutes a good, bad or indifferent picture is probably more a matter of taste and temperament than anything else. Of course, if a man or a "fan" goes to see a picture advertised as comprising "a hurricane of laughs" and sits through it without even a smile, then, surely, there must be something wrong either with the picture or the spectator. We wonder what it is!

Even more important than Discrimination the selection Needed of pictures is, it seems to us, the question of discrimination on the part of parents and others regarding pictures which children should or should not be allowed to see. It is sometimes difficult to choose wisely; but it is lamentable to see children flocking to see what is obviously unsuitable for the juvenile mind. Children are very impressionable, and if they see incidents of a dare-devil or of a crudely vulgar kind, it is to be wondered at that they, lacking in discrimination, should be contaminated? The discrimination should be the duty of the parents, not the choice of the children.

What About KONG has The "Talkies?" not been given an opportunity of hearing the "talkies," though evidently other places, not nearly so important as Hong Kong, have. Why? Is it that the "movies" must be carefully used up before the "talkies" appear as a formidable rival? We hope that the reason of our exclusion is more satisfactory than that.

Talking about the "talkies," about which there has been so much talk, are they likely so to revolutionise the cinema that the "movies" will be completely eclipsed? We think not. At least such is unlikely to happen for quite a long time yet. There is a special charm about the "silent drama" that the "talkies" will never have. Very often it is pleasingly restful to those who, not too tired to look, would be much too tired to listen. Yes; we trust that no matter how popular the "talkies" may be, they will not be permitted completely to eclipse our old friends, the "silent movies."

The Government has accepted a tender from Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd. to construct two wooden refuse lighters.

The total output of the Kaitum Administration's mines for the week ended July 20 amounted to 97,224 tons, and the sales during the period to 64,821 tons.

Owing to its great length, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," the big Universal film which is being shown from Sunday to Wednesday at the Queen's Theatre, will be screened at special times, 2.30, 5.00, 7.15 and 9.20.

A huge snake, with the appearance of a python, which measured 12 feet in length, and a circumference of 17 inches, and weighed 40 pounds, was killed on Green Island yesterday by coolies employed on the island, who despatched it with bamboo poles. The previous snake found on Green Island was also a large python, which was killed by Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., a former Harbour Master, many years ago. It is now in the museum.

Under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, H.E. the Governor has recognised Herr Bruno Hahn as acting Consul in Hong Kong for Germany.

If it fails to obtain a certificate, after two months, to commence business, the name of the Greyhound Racing and Entertaining Co., Ltd., will be struck off the register of companies.

On Monday the G.P.O. and branch post offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. There will be one collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence at 9 a.m. The money order office will be closed.

The Prison Rules made by the Governor in Council under section 18 of the Prisons Ordinance, 1899, and set forth on pages 181-257 of "The Regulations of Hong Kong, 1844-1925," are further amended by the deletion of the words "in Council" next after the word "Governor" in line 3 of rule 335, on page 245.

H.M.S. "Castor" will carry out gunnery practice in Mers Bay on Saturday, August 10, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Firing will be conducted from West of Grass Island and directed toward Sharp Peak. Passing craft should keep north of the line joining Bate Head, Wong Mau Chau, and South Channel.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith heard further evidence, at the Kowloon Magistracy, in the case in which a Ford lorry driver employed by Messrs. Wallace Harper and Co., Ltd., is charged with causing the death of a Chinese pedestrian who was knocked down at the junction of Nathan and Waterloo-roads, Kowloon, on July 5. The inquiry was further adjourned.

An assortment of used postage stamps comprising 235 lots from 60 different countries were yesterday afternoon sold by public auction by Messrs. Lammet Bros. There was a good attendance of collectors, who were particularly attracted by a fine collection of China stamps. Many of these, however, were knocked down below catalogue value. A five-cent green Canton catalogue at \$4 went for \$1.50, a 3-cent Foochow provisional (1912), sold for \$2.25, whilst a 1912 Sun Yat-sen \$5 mint, valued in the catalogue at \$5 shillings fetched face value. There were also some good Macao stamps, some surcharged at lower value and others bisected to form triangulars.

OPIUM SMUGGLERS

NANKING ADVOCATES SEVERE PUNISHMENT

CHINESE CHAMBER MEETING

A letter read at the monthly meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce yesterday from the General Executive Committee of the Nanking Government drew attention to a report by the Anti-Opium Committee in Nanking suggesting that the penalty on smuggling should be made heavier and that any person found smuggling opium or in any way connected with opium should be severely punished. It further suggested that even if a person had been punished for smuggling opium in a foreign country, he or she should be made liable to further punishment on arriving in China as the Government was determined to put a stop to this evil.

Famine Relief

Matters relating to famine relief for Shensi and North-West China were discussed by Mr. M. K. Lo, who said that it was unfortunate that the appeal should have come up at the same time as the appeal for funds for the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital. He suggested that the Chamber should appoint a group of men to assist the Tung Wah Hospital in their work for the cause. Funds were also needed for the relief of victims of the Yunnan explosion, already reported in the "China Mail."

Harbour Board

An announcement was made toward the conclusion of the meeting that Mr. M. K. Lo, one of the Chinese members on the Harbour Board, was unable to continue to serve owing to pressure of work. Mr. Chau Yue-tung was elected to fill the vacancy. The other Chinese member is Mr. T. N. Chau.

During the past year 564,845 books were loaned to 22,997 borrowers from the Public Libraries.

will be most welcome in the Club either as full flying members or as associate members, at the normal fees.

If I may say so I consider that your correspondent's choice of a nom de plume, "Ladykiller," is rather unfortunate; however, perhaps the humorous side of it has not made itself apparent to him or her.

Yours etc.

R. VAUGHAN FOWLER

Hong Kong, August 2, 1929.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HONG KONG AMUSEMENTS CO.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."] Sir,—Although not a Director, I do happen to know a good deal of the inside workings of the above Company.

It seems to me rather an extraordinary thing that the Chairman at the general meeting should have gone out of his way to make some very favourable comments regarding Mr. Ray's service with the Company.

On this account the Directors are evidently not in a position to give a reply to the criticisms re pictures, as actually, practically all these pictures, which the Directors must agree are some of them not good, were contracted for by Mr. Ray before his resignation, notwithstanding the oft repeated complaints that the films were better during his regime. Having been contracted for by a responsible servant of the Company, they must be taken up. Reginald Denny pictures—I believe they are Paramount efforts—and other good pictures from the same studio, had to be discontinued for some time, owing to difficulties this studio's representative had with the late Managing Director. Gradually these difficulties have been smoothed over, and we are bound to see more of this excellent studio's production as time goes on.

As regards the pictures shown, it is a well known fact that in contracting for a series of pictures issued from a studio, the purchaser cannot pick and choose if clients are to be catered for, as if a regular service is required the producer must take all or none.

Further, the question of what is an attractive picture or not, I thought was a matter of individual taste,—however, I now see it is all a question of degree of intelligence, but anyway the result is the same, what suits one does not suit another, but it requires a much higher management than any mortal one to put this right.

As regards price, for a decent seat in a London cinema show the price is 5/- which is 150 per cent. more than the same class of seat here. The chief picture in a London show runs for at least three weeks constantly, whilst here owing to the less population, it is necessary to have a change of picture three times a week. Even the lowest degree of intelligence, and I venture to hope the highest degree of intelligence also, can see the risk of getting a certain number of poor pictures if the management has to get 156 pictures per annum, i.e., three per week, instead of 17 pictures per year or once every three weeks. It reflects greatly to the credit of the management the fact that almost ten times as many pictures are bought for display and yet the seating prices are kept at such a low figure in comparison with more thickly populated areas.

As regards choosing of pictures for the foreign clients by a Chinese staff, this, if it were done, would of course be suicidal. Actually the pictures are chosen by the issuing studios, who contract to give a regular supply, and the Chinese staff can be neither praised nor blamed for the pictures being good or otherwise. They must be shown as received, or there would be no pictures to show at all, and although some of your correspondents might think this a blessing judging from the trend of their letters, there are many others who would be very sorry.

The enticing advertisements are also supplied by the advertising experts attached to the same studios, and are sent with the pictures, so if they are misleading, then the entire world is being misled, as I venture to hope that even the average intelligence will realise that none of the Metro Goldwyn, Paramount, etc., pictures is made exclusively for Hong Kong.

In conclusion, if any sufficiently interested person cares to purchase any of the recognised cinema magazines, and refers to the names of the leading studios, and takes note of the releases of the Hong Kong Amusement Co., it will be found that films from all the best studios are shown here, and surely the highest intelligence cannot expect better than the best.

The handsome profits the Company has made, notwithstanding having purchased a constant supply of first releases from the leading studios at a price evidently satisfactory to the studios concerned, points to the fact that the theatres must be well patronized, and this must mean that at least a good many patrons in Hong Kong are well satisfied.

Yours etc.,

X.Y.Z.

Hong Kong, August 2, 1929.

SEAPLANE FLYING

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."] Sir,—I have read "Ladykiller's" letter in your paper with interest and I hasten to reply that ladies (Continued on first of preceding column.)

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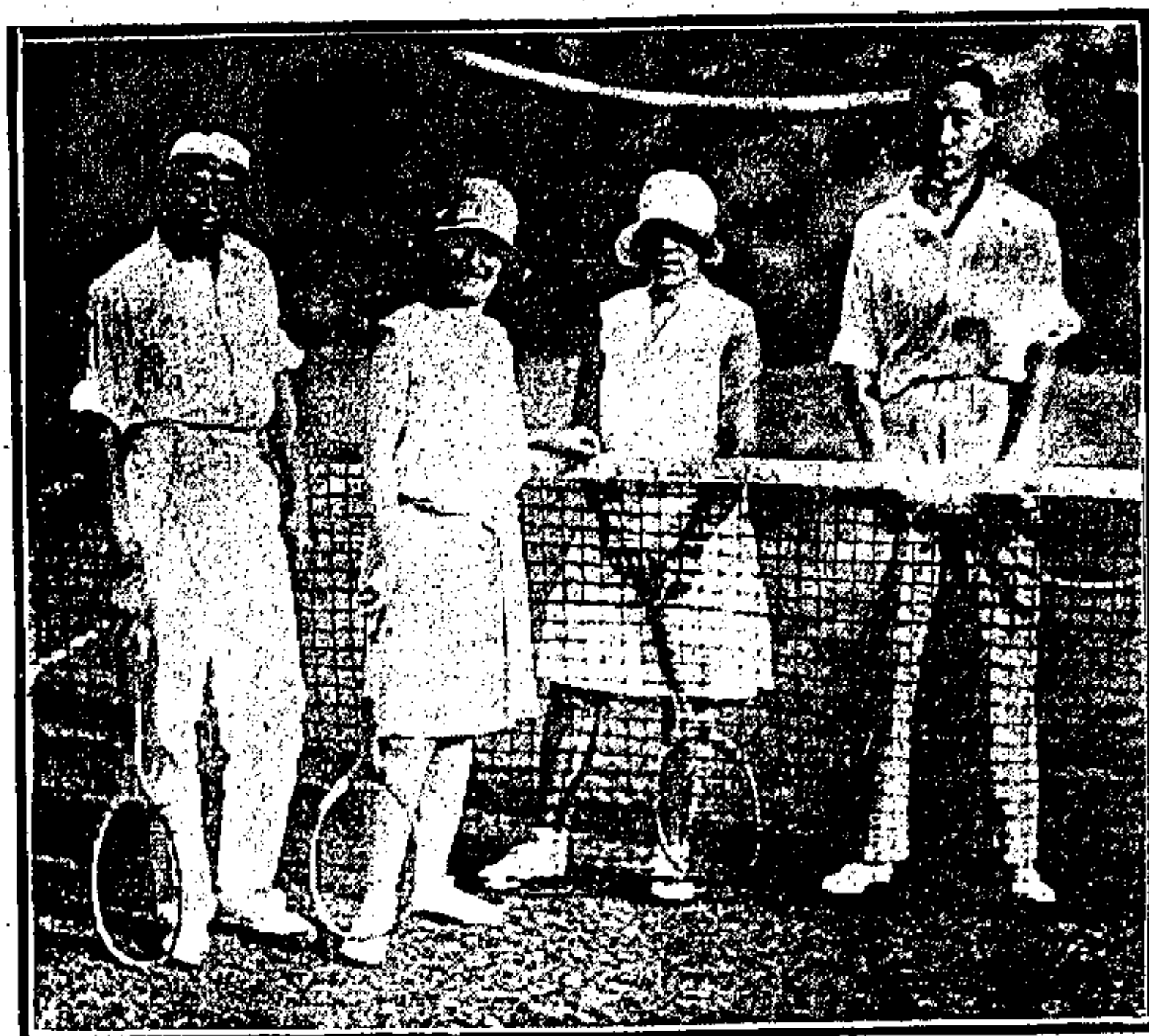
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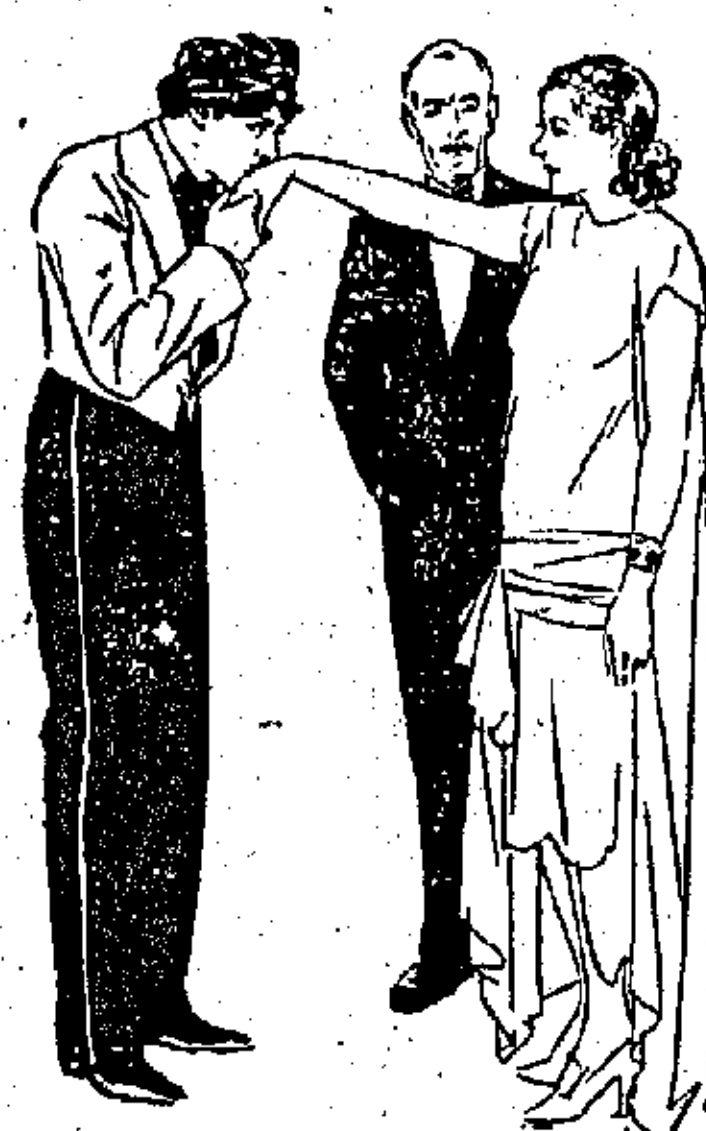
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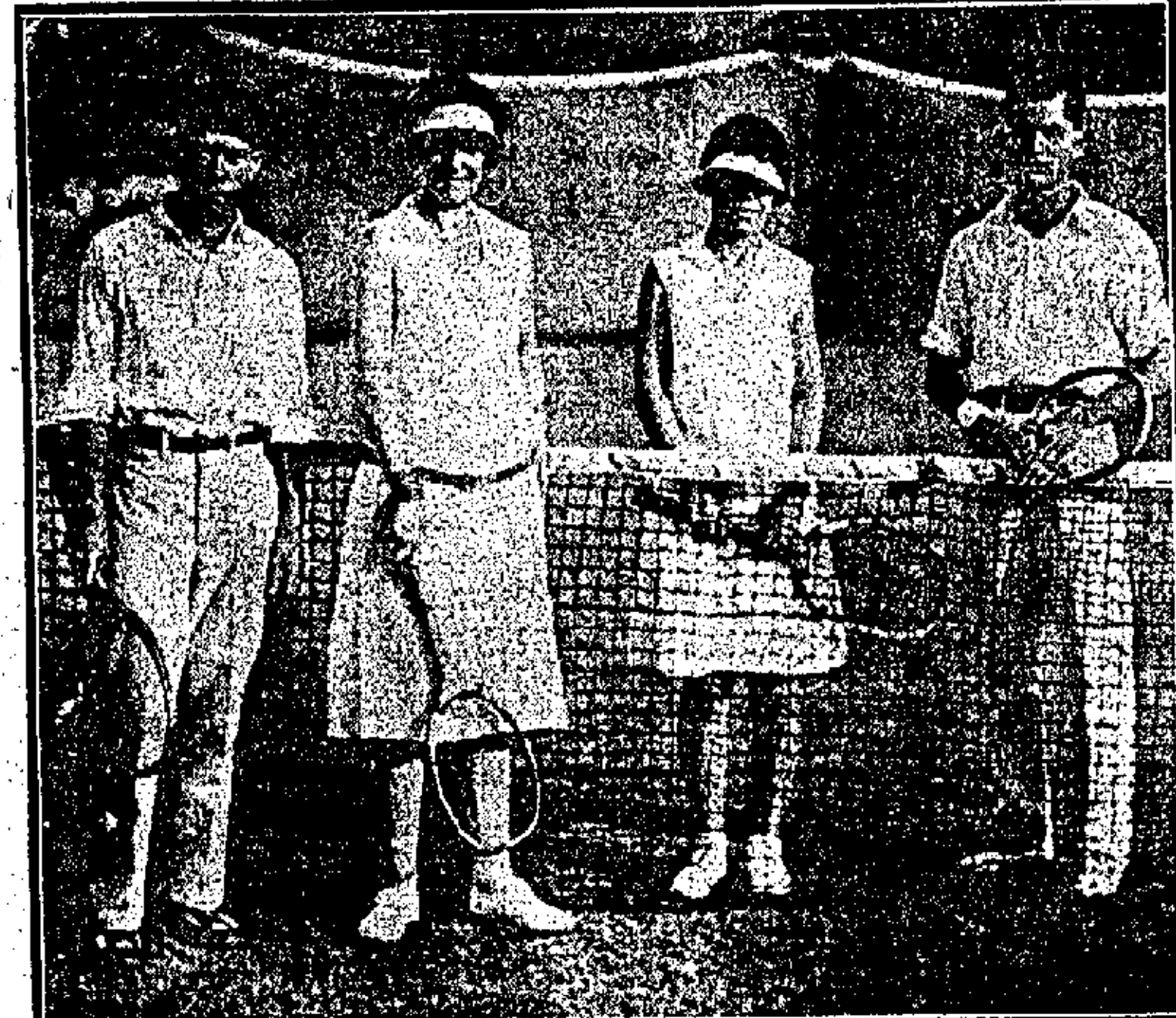
MIXED DOUBLES TENNIS LEAGUE.—At Happy Valley on July 29, when Craigengower Cricket Club defeated the University, Hong Kong, by eight sets to one.—(K. Fujiyama).



MISS FLORA.—A Chinese girl 11 years of age who shows much grace and promise in classical dancing. She appeared at the recent Famine Relief Concert arranged in the City Hall by Mr. Ng Tai-ping.



Nils Asther, Lewis Stone, and Greta Garbo, in another scene from "Wild Orchids."



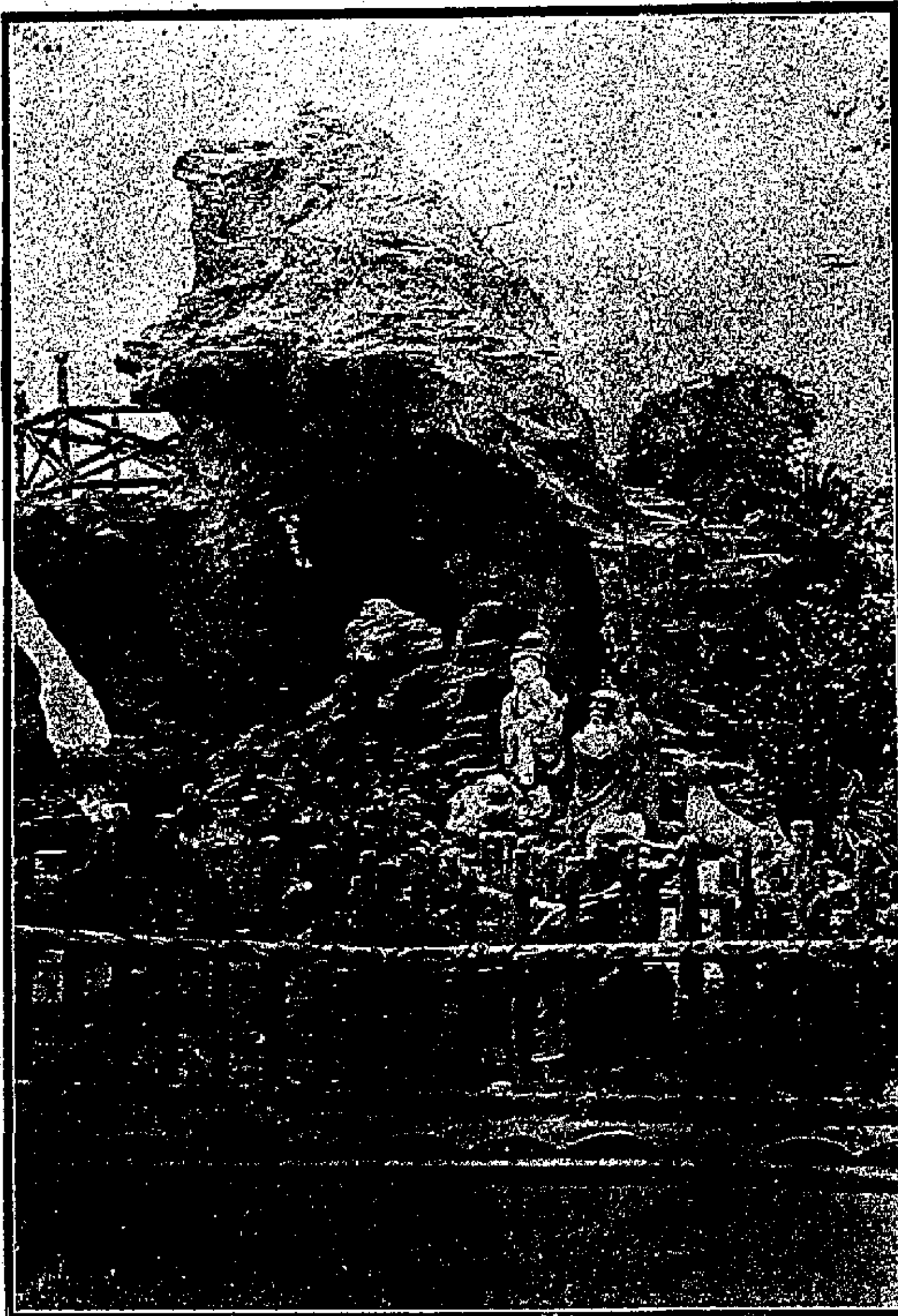
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"WILD ORCHIDS."—Featuring Lewis Stone, Greta Garbo and Nils Asther, to be screened at the Queen's Theatre from Aug. 8 to 10.



BUSY HONG KONG STREET.—Des Voeux-road beyond the Central Market.



ODD NUMBER.—Count the number of storeys in the pagoda at left. It must be "odd" — a belief of the old Buddhist days that it was auspicious. This miniature pagoda is at Lee Garden, East Point.



Greta Garbo and Nils Asther, in "Wild Orchids," at the Queen's Theatre from Aug. 8 to 10.



AT LEE GARDEN.—A Column of "imitation rock" behind which is a wooden arch.

IN THE WILDS OF SIBERIA.—The old gentleman in this tableau represents a famous Chinese emissary to the far North who was detained by the Mongol Tartars but one of their Princesses (depicted here) took pity on him. One of the scenes at Lee Garden, East Point.



POIGNANT SCENES.—From "Wild Orchids," with Lewis Stone and Greta Garbo, to be shown at the Queen's Theatre from Aug. 8 to 10.



THREE BOSOM FRIENDS.—Left, Mr. Tang King-lan, one of the pupils of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek; centre, Mr. Ng Tai-ping, who is organising the National Ping-pong Federation; right, Mr. Owen Au-Yang, sometime Magistrate of Ng Wan district.



Mr. Liang Kwan-chin, a Canton official and his adviser, Mr. Ng Tai-ping.



Greta Garbo. — With Nils Asther, in "Wild Orchids," at the Queen's Theatre, Aug. 8 to 10.



The WOMAN'S Page



THE TABLE

RECIPES FOR A RAPID FOOD SERVICE

PREPARING THE HASTY MEAL

[By Mary Evelyn]

Hasty snacks are in great demand, and they must be as quick and easy to prepare as to eat. Therefore sandwiches made of cut bread and butter are ruled out. They take too much time to cut.

Instead, order a good supply of bridge rolls, brioches, or milk bread, all in the long narrow shape associated with bridge rolls, or to use the old-fashioned name, "wigs." Do not let them be too large or too crusty.

They will also be more conveniently eaten in the fingers if, when split, the lower half of the roll be scooped out to hold the savoury or sweet filling. The top alone can then be buttered or spread with cream and used to cover the "garnished" portion.

Savoury Fillings

Mayonnaise mixed with two tablespoonfuls chopped olives, cucumber, and flaked salmon, or cold veal and ham finely chopped. (A bottle of good bought mayonnaise may be used, mixed with an equal proportion of cream. It should be a stiff mixture.) Finely-minced ham, hard-boiled eggs, shredded lettuce leaves, and chopped radishes, mixed with a little creamed butter. Season with pepper and salt.

Asparagus tips mixed with mayonnaise sauce, to which a few very finely chopped, gherkins and capers have been added.

Mashed pimientos (canned), mixed with finely chopped pickled onion. Season with salt, and mix with a very little salad oil.

Cold curry and rice mixed together. Scoop out both top and bottom of the roll and do not butter, but see that the rice is well mixed with plenty of curry.

Chopped chicken and mushrooms, moistened with a little tomato pulp and cream. Season with paprika and salt.

Tunney or tuna fish, drained from its oil, mixed with minced pickles or chutney and Hollandaise sauce.

Sweet Fillings

Here are some alternative fillings:

Fill the scooped-out under part with cream cheese and the scooped-out top part with the pulp of fresh green figs. Fill sweet bridge rolls, which can be bought without ordering first, with strawberries.

(Continued on Next Column.)

drag on the traditional day at Auteuil, will have a fortnight at Deauville, and will later honour Dinard and Vichy with visits.

All The Designs and Styles For The Latter Part Of Summer



Here is a very extensive range for the ladies to choose from, both in design, material, style, sleeve, etc., to suit all occasions and, as the modistes say, to suit all purses as well. This is the latest forecast by the experts.

and cream blended. Or with crushed pineapple mixed with whipped cream. Or with chopped melon and cream flavoured with finely chopped preserved ginger.

The pulp of baked apples and Devonshire cream, or merely Devonshire cream sprinkled with golden syrup, or Devonshire cream sprinkled with honey and finely chopped nuts.

Fork Foods

Provide crisp bread, thin toast, and potato crisps, rolls of thin brown and white bread and butter, plates, forks, and a selection of the following:

Slices of jellied meat, fish, or

in similar fashion, fresh fruit—uncooked—being set in jelly and accompanied by a jug of cream. They are, however, best set in small moulds for individual service. Portwine jelly, with fresh strawberries and cream, is delicious. Melon, strawberries, and port wine is another good mixture.

Mousses & Creams

Cold savoury and sweet mousses and creams are also excellent for this simple, rapid service.

Pastry-boats with sweet or savoury mixtures are another good idea. Long-shaped patties are easier to manipulate with a fork than round ones.

wine over the cake. Allow wine to soak well into cake. Cover and put away for an hour. Stir together sugar, cornflour, and salt and mix with the eggs, well beaten. Scald milk with coffee, strain, add a pinch of salt, pour over the egg mixture, stir well and cook for ten minutes in a double saucepan. Cool, and add the remaining wine, pouring in gradually to prevent curdling. Pour over the cake. Whip the cream and cover top of trifle with it. Stick with blanched almonds.

Scalloped Tomatoes

Ingredients.—2½ cups tomatoes;



The latest styles in permanent waves from New York. Parisian ideas will be seen in to-morrow's "Sunday Herald."

NEW RECIPES

GRAPEFRUIT GLASS

Ingredients.—1 tin of grapefruit; 2 oranges; ¼ cupful of pineapple juice; 1 tea-spoonful lemon juice; a few grapes.

Method.—Peel the oranges, remove pith, divide into sections, take out pips, cut into small pieces with scissors. Add sections of grapefruit. Next add the pineapple juice and few drops of lemon juice to taste, and mix well. Put into cocktail glasses, and top with seeded grapes.

Wine Trifle

Ingredients.—Stale sponge or Madeira cake; 1½ cups full port wine; 2 tablespoonfuls ground coffee; 1 pint milk; 2 eggs beaten; 1 table-spoonful sugar; 2 dessert-spoonfuls cornflour; salt; ¼ pint of whipped cream; blanched almonds.

Method.—Cut stale cake into slices and pile in a glass dish. Pour slowly one cupful of the port

1 table-spoonful grated onion; salt and pepper; 1½ cups of fine bread crumbs; 1 table-spoonful melted butter.

Method.—Melt the butter, and mix with bread crumbs. Mix onion and seasoning with tomatoes. Place a layer of crumbs in the bottom of a buttered baking dish, then a layer of tomatoes. Repeat till dish is full—sprinkling with crumbs on top. Bake in a moderate oven for twenty minutes.

A Simple Cheese Souffle

Ingredients.—8 cups full of stale bread crumbs; 4 cups of milk; 4 eggs well beaten; 2 cups full of grated cheese; salt; pepper.

Method.—Heat milk and pour over bread crumbs, add pepper and salt. Cool, and stir in the cheese. When cold fold in the beaten eggs. Pour into a deep dish, such as custards are baked in, stand dish in larger pan containing water, bake slowly in moderate oven until souffle is firm and a golden brown on top. Never allow it to boil.

Midsummer Hats, Mostly Of Straw



Charm and protection from the sun are the outstanding features of these hats, which have been pictured by one of America's foremost designers.

FASHION NOTES

SUSSEX PAGEANT AND SOCIETY PLAYERS

DISTINGUISHED PERFORMERS

Miss Lally and Lord Edward Gleichen have been busy with rehearsals in various parts of Sussex for the last few months. Seven hundred people have already promised to play, and many of the parts have been allotted. Lord and Lady Norbury will play Sir Thomas and Lady Boleyn, Lord Antrim will be a Norman knight, and his daughter, Lady Rose McDonnell, is to take one of the principal parts, that of the Norman bride.

Ernest Raymond, the well-known author, will be Charles II., and Miss Sheila Kaye-Smith has been asked to take part in this story of her own Sussex from Roman times until the Great War. Lady Darnley, Lady Strathcona, and Lord and Lady De La Warr are also among the performers.

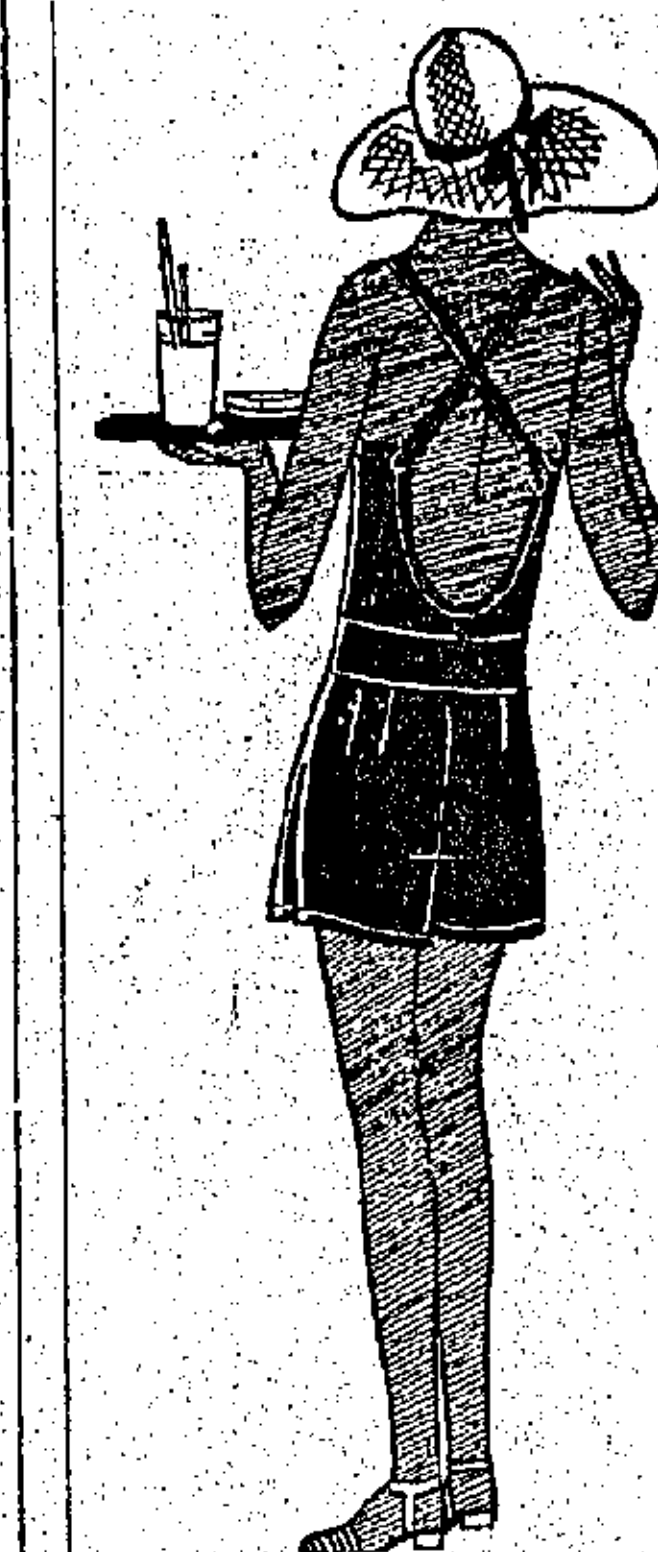
Delightful Models

They really were delightful models which Princess A. de Chimay and Lady Evelyn Graham showed at their Echo-de-Paris parade. It was an ideal setting, too, because Lady Buchanan-Jardine had lent her house, and the parade took place in the lovely panelled drawing-room with the three windows of its great bay overlooking the sunlit Green Park. Sunshine streamed in and accentuated one's feeling of wanting to buy almost every model.

Green and Yellow

Greens are the second rival of yellows in both plain and printed patterns. In prints there are many chiffons with a small floral pattern on white, in gowns with sweeping flou lines, worn with rather large drooping hats at the Bois de la Chapelle, while crepe de Chines printed in greens are usually composed of two shades—pale and medium—worn at luncheon at the Ritz.

The long-backed afternoon gown, which Fatou stresses for smart-



What could be more cooling and dainty than this mode for any of Hong Kong's bathing beaches?

ness, is most noticeable in yellow and brownish tones of printed crepe de Chine. The hip-fitting line which is so dominant a part of daytime smartness this season, is frequently accentuated by interlaced bands defined by piping. These cross in the back at the hips, and seem to hold the skirt fullness, which is the high-spot in the back descent. In this type of gown the bodice hints of the princess line, with the smallest amount of shirring or gathers attached to vertical bands.

Frocks of this character are usually worn in the afternoon, again with the medium-sized hat in one of the tones of the print, usually the darkest, whether brown, yellow, green, black, or blue. The shoes and the bag match, and if the weather is cool enough the coat may be in a plain dark woolen or silk.



Ocean spray was an inspiration for the blue and white frock on the left, worn by Mary Brian. The horizontal lines represent the turbulent sea and the dots the spray. A wide blue sash belt marks the low waist line, creating a most graceful line. On the right, Jean Arthur appears in a chic two-piece frock of dull grey velvet, the striped blouse created by varying shades of silver threads.

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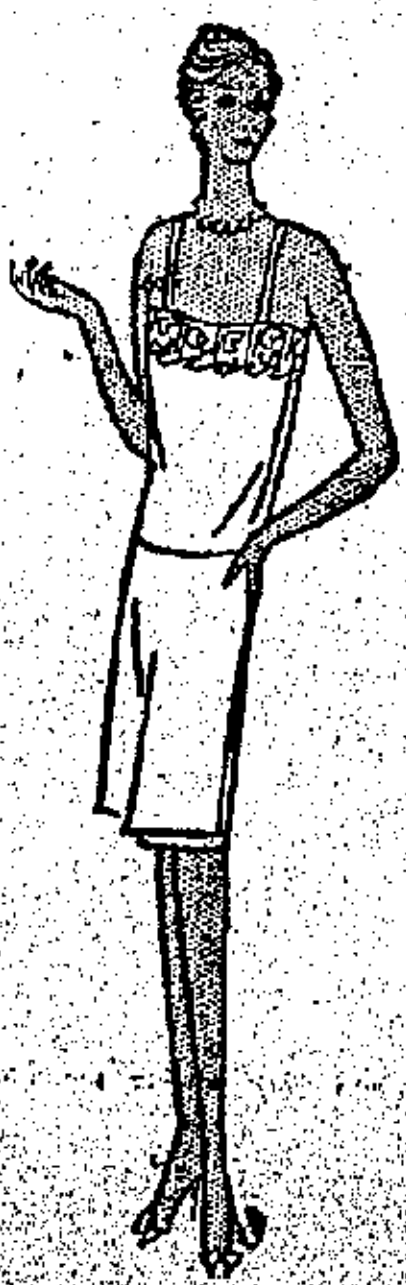
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LORD THOMSON. — Secretary of State for Air in the new Labour Government at Home, who is one of the few Labourites in the Upper House. He occupied the same portfolio in the first Labour Cabinet in 1924.—(Sport and General).



CHARACTERISTIC LONDON TYPES.—At the London Costers and Street Traders' donkey and pony show held at Kensington. "His Reward," the children of the Pearly King of Hoxton feeding their prize-winning donkey out of the Challenge Bowl which he won.—(Sport and General).



MR JACK HAYES, M.P.—Who was appointed by the Labour Government to be Vice-Chamberlain of the Royal Household. Mr. Hayes, it will be recalled, was formerly a Policeman. Note the "Service" moustache.—(Sport and General).



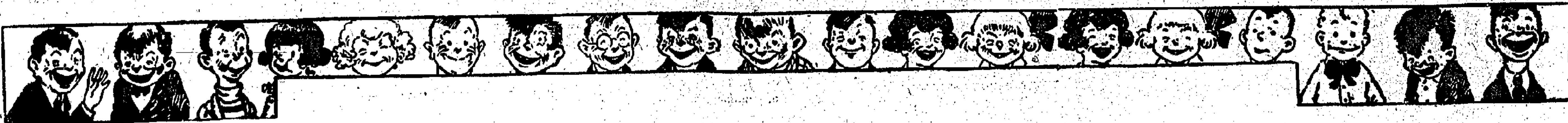
THE KING'S RETURN TO LONDON FROM WINDSOR, A GREAT WELCOME AND SEMI-STATE PAGEENTRY.—Dense crowds lined the gaily decorated route to give a warm welcome to H.M. the King, as with H.M. the Queen, he drove through London to Buckingham Palace from Windsor, after an absence of 20 weeks. The first part of the journey was undertaken by motor car but, on arrival at Kensington, a change was made to an open coach with postillions and outriders; and the journey was continued through Hyde Park, etc., in semi-state. Here is a general view of the enormous crowd that gathered outside Buckingham Palace to welcome the King. The Royal party may be seen on the balcony on the left.—(Sport and General).



THE QUEEN AND A BUSINESS GIRLS CLUB.—H.M. Queen Mary laid the foundation stone of a central club for London business girls, that is being built by the Y.W.C.A. in St. Russell-street. When completed, the club will be the best equipped in existence. Her Majesty is standing by the foundation stone. Second on right is Mrs. Stanley Baldwin (Vice-president of the Appeal Council). Next to the Bishop of Kensington (left) is Sir Edwin Lutyens, the architect.—(Sport & General).



FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVES RECEIVE DEGREES AT OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—The Egyptian Prime Minister, H.E. Mohamed Mahmoud Pasha, General Dawes (U.S. Ambassador in London) and the Marquis Merry del Val (Spanish Ambassador) received degrees at an encasement at Oxford University. General Dawes (left) and Marquis Merry del Val are seen leading the procession, while behind is the Egyptian Prime Minister, who is seen in right centre, foreground.—(Sport and General).



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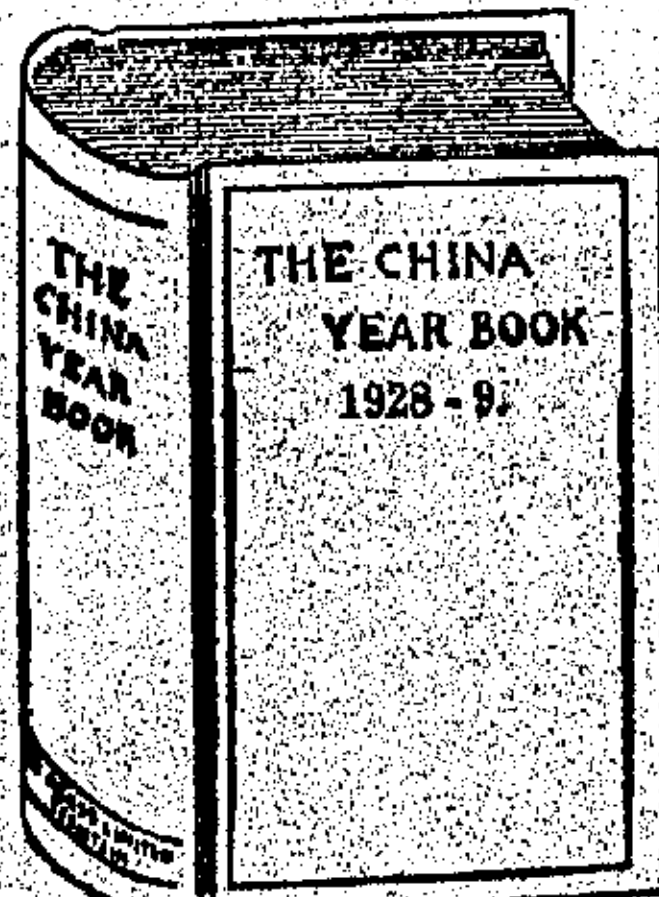
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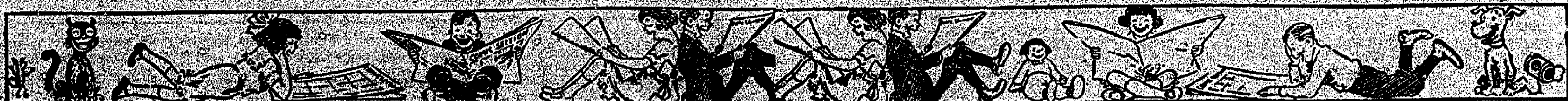
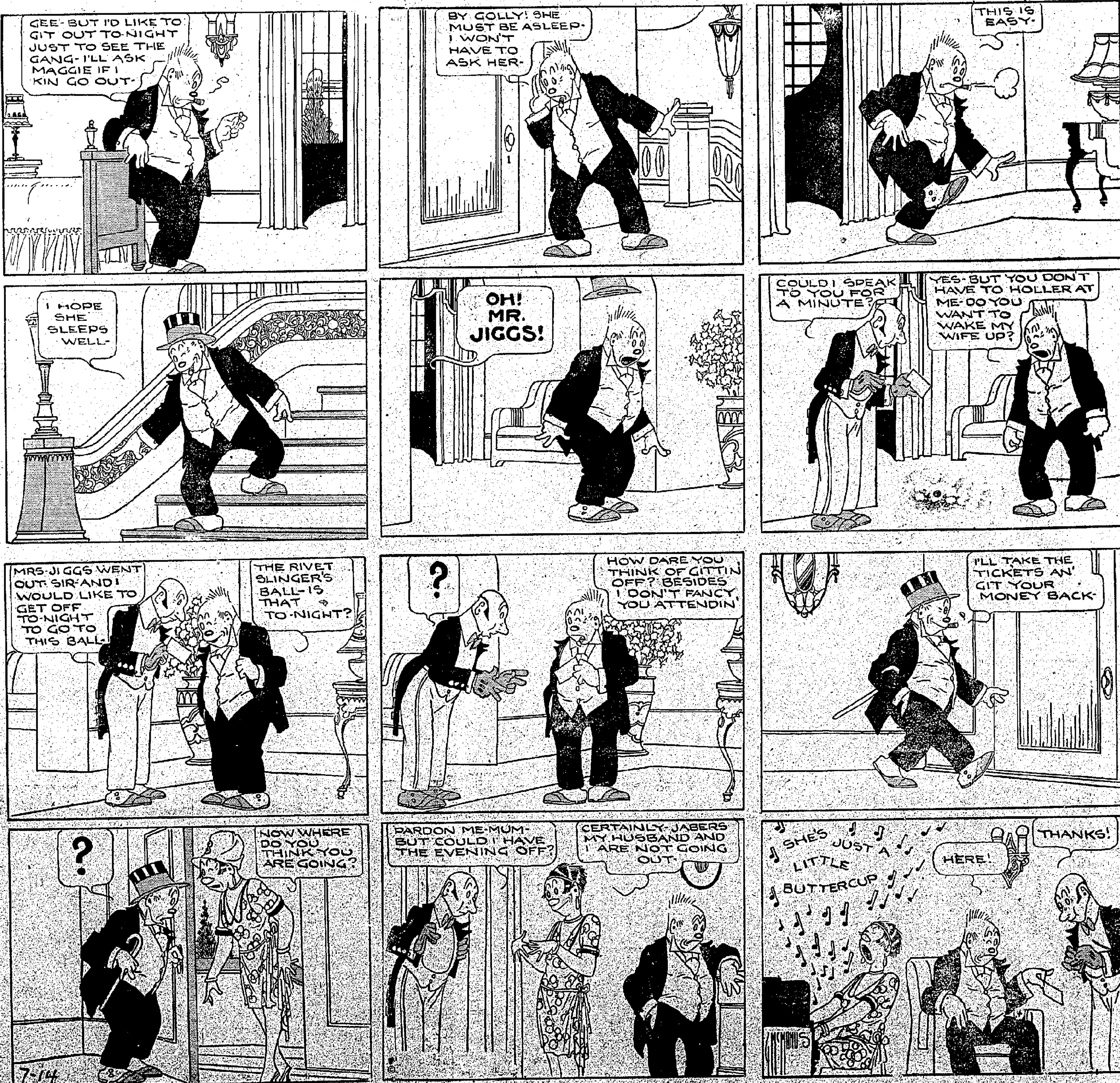
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Significance of Historic Element For Religion

MODERN CHURCHMAN'S VIEWS

[By Professor C. C. J. Webb, Oxford.]

When, after I had promised to write a paper for this Conference on the Significance of the Historic Element for Religion, but before I had begun seriously to consider what I should say in it, there reached me in its final shape the printed programme of our proceedings. I perceived on its first page a paragraph, not in any way inspired by me, giving an 'intelligent anticipation' of the contents of my still uncomposed contribution to the discussion which it was proposed the Conference should undertake this year. It was not without some apprehension that I began to read this paragraph, since, not having been at all consulted, I feared that it might have committed me in advance to dealing with topics on which I had nothing to say, or to advancing views which I did not hold. I was, therefore, not a little relieved to find that instead of making my task more difficult it made it easier, by suggesting to me a line of thought which I was glad to follow, and which I might not otherwise have felt myself so sure that I was justified in selecting from among several which might have been covered by the thesis assigned to me.

Text of the Paper

I will, therefore, show my gratitude to the unknown composer of the paragraph by reading it to you at the outset as the text of my paper:

'The third paper,' so it runs, 'will deal with the Historic Element in various types of religion, e.g., it might be contended that in the animistic religions there is no historical element, these religions being apothecoses of aspects of Nature. Again, that the ancient state-religions are apothecoses of political and social ideas and that the historical element enters into them in that form. In the founded religions history enters as the biography of the founder and the history of the primitive society; and an important aspect of these religions is that they are apothecoses of personality. Once more, mystical and philosophical religions might be held to be independent of any historical element. This, then, shall be my text, though I shall take leave, like Dean Galsford in a well-known story, only partly to agree with it.'

I do not myself consider that there is any religion in which there is no historical element; although, no doubt, there are religions in which it is more obvious and prominent than in others. For it is in religion that man endeavours to express his own attitude to, his own position in a Whole of reality, within which he and all with which he has to do, all which falls within his experience, is alike embraced. In religion he does not merely apprehend this Reality at the back of everything; he feels it as encompassing him on every side, as intimately present to himself, and haunting him, so to say, even when alone as regards the company of his fellows. It is 'about his path and about his bed'; it 'speaks out all his ways.' And not only does he still feel it; he acts in such a way as to put himself, if he may, right with it. But religion, if its character be such as I have said, is in philosophical phraseology, at once universal and particular; in other words it is historical.

Like a "Science"

For a form of experience may be properly called historical when it is neither merely particular, a matter of momentary feelings, such as a being might have who did not enjoy the human privilege of looking before and after, nor merely universal, like a 'science,' which concerns itself with general laws, and only considers individual things or events as particular instances of such laws; but involves a sense of the uniqueness of the individual thing or event in its relation to other things or events no less unique in a universe whose own unity is no less individual a unity than that of every real thing, or event which has its being in it; whether, when we come to philosophize, we think of the unity which belongs to the whole as immanent only, or (with Professor Taylor in his brilliant 'Vindication of Religion' contributed to *Essays Catholic and Critical*) as imparted to its multitudinous constituents by their common relation to a transcendent individuality such as we generally have in mind when we speak of God.

I venture to think that some definitions or descriptions of religion given by distinguished writers fail just because they disregard this unity in it of the universal and the particular, which, I believe, is essential to the being what it is and which also justifies us in saying that it is always historical.

Common Social Life

Durkheim and the French sociologists of whom he was the leader are quite right in calling attention to the impossibility of understanding

ing religion from a point of view which ignores the fact that many of the emotions and thoughts of individual beings are only intelligible in view of their inheritance from and their participation in a common social life. But they are, I think, mistaken in treating religion as in the end an *illusion* created in the individual mind by the powerful influence of social environment instead of acknowledging that there is in social experience a genuine revelation of the nature of Reality; and, on the other hand, that it is of the essence of religion to recognize what comes through social experience as the intimate concern of the individual soul. In startling contrast with Durkheim and his school, Professor Whitehead has described religion as 'what a man does with his solitariness.' He is no doubt calling attention to just that feature of religion which Durkheim and his school overlook, namely, that it is precisely in religion that a man most commonly first becomes aware of having a function peculiar to himself, a duty to be done, a soul to be saved, a personality of his own, unique, unshareable and irreplaceable. But the phrase which Professor Whitehead uses ignores in its turn a no less essential feature of religion, namely, its envisagement of this unique self as set against the background of an all-embracing Universe, or (to express it otherwise) in the presence of God known as the Judge of the whole earth, of our fellows as well as of ourselves.

Primitive Religion

Primitive religion is tribal; for when man first awakes to a consciousness of himself in relation to an encompassing Reality which is, to use the phrase which Professor Rudolf Otto has lately made familiar, 'quite other' than he, yet with which he is most intimately concerned, so that to propitiate it, render it friendly to himself, is a matter of the greatest moment—when he first awakes to this consciousness he finds himself a member of a group, and his first relations with the mysterious power or powers which impend over human life are mediated chiefly (though perhaps even at a very early stage of development, not quite exclusively) through the group of which he is a member. Very soon there arises a 'mythology,' which, though not in our eyes a true history (and yet it may very often preserve genuine memories of real events and personages in the past of the tribe), satisfies for the time being the demand for an historical element in religion. The 'aspects of Nature,' of which the writer of the forecast of my paper which I have taken for my text suggests that 'animistic religions'—the most primitive kind of religion that he seems to recognise—make into gods, may figure in this mythology; but they figure, as in the fanciful tales of children, as historical personages; not necessarily, indeed, imagined with any thoroughness or consistency in human form, but yet as playing their part in social intercourse with the ancestors of the tribe or of the animal species which constitute so interesting and important a part of the environment of humanity in the infancy of civilization. The sociological school to which I have already referred, of which the late Emile Durkheim was the founder, did a service to the study of religion in pressing upon the notice of scholars the evidence which exists that men first became interested in what we regard as topics of abstract science—in the measurement of time, the fixing of direction in space, and the like—in connection with arrangements for accommodating the life of the tribe to seasonal changes or to its geographical situation.

Progress in Culture

The substitution for a purely tribal organisation, usually through the subjugation of a number of tribes by more warlike neighbours commanded by some leader of military genius, of one to which we can apply the term 'political' is often accompanied by a progress in culture which, by facilitating the preservation of the records of the past, makes possible a better knowledge by the members of a 'political' group of events which have brought about its formation and of personages whose activities occasioned those events. The religion of such a group is not so much an apothecosis (as the printed programme of this paper has it) of social ideas as it is an apothecosis of the common spirit by which in which the social group is conscious of itself as a unity. The national delirium which dwelt in the Temples of Jerusalem, the 'Apollonia' of Athens, the Capitoline Romae, were instances of the spirit of the people which worshipped them, conceived as a permanent living centre of the national life enduring through the

TROUBLE IN HARBIN

CHINESE SOLDIERS AND AN AMERICAN

GIRL BRUTALLY HANDLED

Tokyo, Yesterday.
From Harbin it is reported that the outrageous conduct of the local Chinese police and soldiers has become a daily happening in Harbin. Not infrequently foreigners are the victims.

The latest case wherein a foreigner was subjected to physical violence at the hands of the Chinese police occurred on the afternoon of July 30 in broad daylight in the street. The victim was an American employee of the National City Bank of New York, who was violently treated when he tried to remonstrate against the brutal handling of an American girl who had roused their ire.

Consular Protest?

The American Consul lodged a protest with the Chinese authorities, while it is reported that the Consular Body is seriously concerned over the increasing violence on the part of the police.

The American Consul visited the Chief of Police and demanded an explanation, reserving the right to protest if an investigation justifies it.—Reuter.

Japan's Diplomacy

Tokyo, Yesterday.
There seems little doubt but that Japan will be very unwilling to participate in the suggested International Commission dealing with Manchuria, unless possibly in the event of an unforeseen emergency. Even so she would not welcome the participation of the other Powers in the settlement of questions affecting Manchuria, where she considers her own interests are paramount and more vital than any considerations of international co-operation. Consequently the Japanese Government is extremely anxious to see the Sino-Soviet negotiations proceed smoothly.—Reuter.

[Later news on page 1.]

MONEY LENDING

LAW ON REGISTERED NAME OF LENDER

SIGNATURE DENIED

The adjourned case in which the Oriental Loan Association (an Association of Indian money-lenders) is suing K. U. Leung for the recovery of \$540 on a promissory note, was resumed yesterday at the Summary Court before Mr. Justice J. R. Wood. The action is being taken in the name of Saporan Singh, a member of the Association. At the previous hearing defendant denied that his name was K. U. Leung. He maintained that he had never known the plaintiff and that he had never signed the note. At yesterday's hearing, his Lordship informed plaintiff that a new point had arisen. On looking up the Ordinance, he found that a money-lender should only trade under his registered name. There had been a case in 1922 when two money-lenders formed a partnership. One of the members later accepted a note in his own name and failed to recover because it was not in the name of the registered partnership. From the ruling in that case, it would appear that plaintiff was in a similar position. His Lordship therefore advised plaintiff to withdraw the name of the Association from the writ and to sue in his own name, and also to get the advice of a lawyer. The case was restored to next Friday's list.

lapse of the successive mortal generations which found their unity in relation to this centre. It was a matter of subordinate importance whether there was, as in certain monarchies, always a visible personal embodiment of this spiritual unity in a divinely descended and divinely endowed king, whose function as incarnating the unity of the people or state passed on his death or deposition to his successor, or whether there was attributed to the national god who had borne and carried his people all the days of old, who was afflicted in their afflictions and who triumphed in their victories, a separate existence of his own, apart from the mortal magistrates to whom his authority in the community might from time to time be delegated.

An Historical Reality

It was the peculiar achievement of the prophets of Israel that they came, by recognising in their national deity the 'God of all the nations of the earth,' whose choice of Israel for his own inheritance did not involve him in Israel's disasters (which were, indeed, to be regarded as consequences of his own just displeasure with his disobedient people), to effect a transition from the national or political type of religion to the universal without losing faith in God as an historical reality. The lack of this faith in the parallel development carried out by the Graeco-Roman world through the instrumentality of the Greek philosophers, tended to a divorce of the highest religious thought from the practice of religion which went far to destroy St. Paul's assertion that the pagan world by wisdom knew not God.

[To be continued.]

THE "SPIDER"

ENGLAND-INDIA AND BACK IN A WEEK

BRITISH FLIGHT

London, Yesterday.
A huge blue monoplane named "The Spider" ascended at Lympne before dawn to-day. The pilot is Captain Barnard and the mechanic Mr. Little.

They are aiming at a return flight to and from India within a week. The enterprise is sponsored by the Duchess of Bedford, who is aboard.—Reuter.

JEWELS IN PAWN

MAHARAJAH OF BURDWAN SUE

London, July 10.

The Maharajah of Burdwan appeared as defendant in a West London County Court action in which Miss Zena Bell claimed the recovery of certain jewellery which the Maharajah had pawned and which the Maharajah had redeemed.

Defendant stated that his daughter and Miss Bell lived together in a flat which the Maharajah had furnished and their affairs got mixed.

He redeemed his daughter's jewellery and found amongst them four articles belonging to Miss Bell which he offered to return for £10, but Miss Bell refused the offer.

The judge declared that he preferred the evidence of the Maharajah of Burdwan and the Maharajah to that of Miss Bell regarding the ownership of the jewellery and found nominal damages of a shilling each for the plaintiff in respect of two unnamed articles and allowed the Maharajah costs in respect of the defence of two articles.

The Maharajah of Burdwan, testifying in the action, said that he met Miss Bell on a liner when proceeding to London with the Maharani and his daughter. The latter and plaintiff became friends on the liner, and the Maharajah suggested that Miss Bell should stay with them till she went to her aunt.

Plaintiff gave his daughter and himself dancing lessons. When Miss Bell left his house she and the Maharajah's daughter lived in a flat.

ON SPELLING

ARCHBISHOP'S VIEWS ON "A FATAL THING"

Speech day at Chigwell School, Essex, famous as the school of William Penn, founder of Pennsylvania, was marked by the visit of the Archbishop of York. In an address, he said that the first business of any school was to be a society. That was the great mark of the traditional English education which, in spite of the small amount of thought given to it in England, was the best in the world. A school should be a living society in which those who belonged to it really took a responsible part in its life.

"Its primary duty," said the Archbishop, "is to turn out not scholars, or athletes, but men, Education," continued his grace, "meant nourishment, and all nourishment was taken in two parts. The first was taking something from outside and putting it inside, and the second the assimilation of what had been taken. Merely stuffing was no good at all. Learning dates, the schoolboy's bugbear, was of itself absolutely useless. It was the causes and effects centred around the date which were the real mental exercise."

"I always felt a desire," he added, "to give double marks to the boy who was two or three years wrong in a date, because it indicated that, at any rate, he was likely to have some proper understanding not of dates, but of history."

The Archbishop also referred scathingly to English spelling. "The most fatal thing to do," he said, "is to think about it. To expect so valuable a thing as thought upon English spelling is a waste of a good commodity."

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To-day—Kowloon Football Club

Concert, 9.15 p.m.

Aug. 29—At European Y.M.C.A.

Kowloon, Flannel Dance, 9 p.m.

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If Mr. Ramsay MacDonald wishes to demonstrate the superior statesmanship of his Government over that of his predecessor, the China question offers him an excellent opportunity, says Mr. J. O. P. Bland. For the situation which has developed since Sir Austen Chamberlain saw fit to condone the Nanking outrages, because of his desire "not to embarrass the Nationalist Government in their task of introducing order in the territory under their control," has now reached a stage which must in the near future necessitate a choice between two alternatives—viz., complete abandonment of British trade, property, and vested interests in China, or firm insistence upon maintenance of the safeguards provided for them in existing Treaties and respect for the common decencies of international intercourse. It is no exaggeration to say that the future relations of the Oriental nations with the rest of the world and the future of the British Empire as an Asiatic Power will be determined, for better or for worse, by the policy which Mr. MacDonald and Mr. President Hoover decide to adopt in dealing with the latest demands of the Nationalist Government for the abolition of extra-territoriality and the withdrawal of all foreign armed forces from Chinese territory.

Sufficient Grounds

The chaos of lawlessness, venality, and tyrannous oppression which has brought the Kuomintang administration into undeniable dispute with the Chinese people affords in itself good and sufficient grounds for abandoning the policy of patient conciliation which has done infinite harm and no good to anyone except a handful of self-seeking politicians. If Mr. MacDonald and his colleagues will face the indisputable facts of the situation and, in dealing with it, substitute clear thinking for the jejune formulae of the doctrinaires, they have an unrivalled opportunity for combining the legitimate advancement of British commerce with practical sympathy for the sorely afflicted Chinese people.

"Gracious Concessions"

The theory upon which Sir Austen Chamberlain based his policy of gracious concessions was, that the Kuomintang politicians represented, or would eventually represent, an effective and efficient government, able and willing to maintain law and order and to administer clean-handed justice. It was an assumption wholly unjustified by the verifiable facts of the situation, and especially by the record of Chiang Kai-shek and his colleagues. Nevertheless thanks in great measure to the persistence of the Cantonese party's skilful propaganda, it has remained the keystone of British policy since 1923. Even after the deplorable surrender of the Hankow Concession to mob violence, public opinion in this country remained generally unconscious of its dangers, and by its silence gave consent to that "friendly policy," devised by the "F.O. school of thought," which was presently to evoke "an equally friendly response from a Chinese Government freed from foreign domination, and thus enabled to devote itself to the single-minded service of the interests of the Chinese."

Plunderers All

Two years have passed since the Foreign Secretary placed on record, in this amazing utterance, his complete misconception of China and the Chinese. The policy thus enunciated was bound to lead to disastrous results, for it runs counter to all the knowledge and experience gathered by men who have studied Chinese statecraft and political morality during two centuries of intercourse. There was never any justification for the assumption that the Kuomintang politicians were possessed of any qualities, or moved by any incentives, to distinguish them from the other bandit-rulers and political adventurers who have brought their country to its present lamentable condition. Granted that they possess certain advantages over their rivals, in the matter of superior organisation, in the financial support which they derive from the Cantonese communities overseas, in the sciences of propaganda taught them by Moscow, and in their practical monopoly of access to the Press abroad, but these very advantages, and the semi-nationalist character of many of those who exploit them, have, on the other hand, served to make Chiang Kai-shek's government more hated and feared than any of the short-lived rulers whom the people have endured since the Revolution.

Third Party Congress
If better in the benevolent intentions and patriotic aspirations of

the Nanking Nationalists was unwarranted two years ago, it is doubly so to-day. Any lingering doubts on this point have been finally dispelled by the proceedings of the Third Party Congress, held at Nanking three months ago, when the election of the Central Executive Committee (de facto government of China) was "made" to the orders and liking of General Chiang Kai-shek, under whose Napoleonic direction the last face-saving pretences of representative government have now disappeared. As President, General Chiang denounced the persistent refusal of the provincial authorities to take orders from Nanking in matters financial and military. He deplored their increasing tendency to interpret Sun Yat-sen's Three Principles according to their individual ideas, and declared that, so long as this sort of thing goes on, China can never be united. He made it plain, in fact, that the only prospect of unity lies in general acceptance of the Kuomintang Committee's undisputed authority (in other words, of his own Dictatorship), and while professing to deplore the terrible sufferings of the common people, he warned all concerned that "until the entire country is unified, any mitigation of these sufferings is well-nigh impossible."

Tyranny of Committees
Like master, like man. In every province local committees of self-elected officials (mostly ex-students), acting ostensibly in the name and under the authority of the Kuomintang, have become a law unto themselves, imposing arbitrary taxation and seizing property with such insatiable rapacity, that in several districts the harassed people, driven to desperation, have turned upon their oppressors. Everywhere the pitiful story is the same: predatory officials, political freebooters, boycotters, and military pillagers, all busily engaged in feathering their own nests and, by their exactions, adding to the already intolerable burdens of the merchants and farmers. Under conditions such as these the country would undoubtedly welcome any Dictator able and ready to govern by exercise of that paternal despotism, whereby alone the predatory elements of disorder can be held in check. But, despite his wealth and undeniably adroit intelligence, Chiang Kai-shek would appear to be lacking in the personal prestige and in the elemental, undefinable quality of greatness which the Man of Destiny must possess who aspires to supreme power in China. Everything in the present situation points therefore to the melancholy conclusion that the struggle for unity (which means, for the supremacy of this or that leader) is likely to continue indefinitely, and with it the bitter plight of the inarticulate masses.

Change Justified
Intervention by the civilised Powers, however disinterested and benevolent, remains apparently beyond the capacity of their collective initiative and good will. But so far as Great Britain is concerned, the results of our unfortunate relations with China during the past ten years, and the present pitiful condition of the country, fully justify a change of policy. For it has become abundantly clear that, until the ruling class in China shall have produced something approaching to the civilised world's conception of peace, order and stability, firm maintenance of the "unequal Treaties" is an indispensable condition of continued intercourse, and the only remaining barrier which protects the Chinese as a nation from collapsing into utter and irretrievable anarchy.

Home by Election
LABOUR PARTY RETAINS S.E. LEEDS
COMMUNIST UNWANTED
London, Yesterday.
The by-election in South-east Leeds, due to Sir Henry Slesser's appointment as a Lord Justice of Appeal, resulted as follows:
Mr. Milner (Labour) 11,805
Mr. Brain (Communist) 512

Labour majority 11,292
There is no change.
Figures at the election in May were:
Sir H. Slesser, K.C. (Lab.) 22,403
J. C. Spurr (Cons.) 7,585
Labour majority 15,018

FUEL FROM COAL
A company has started operations on the Humber in England with Admiralty assistance, for "cracking" British coal oils and petroleum oils.

Lord Leconfield has consented to become acting president of the Sussex Agricultural Society.

OLD TAYLOR
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EXCHANGES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—	
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On demand	1197 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	1272 1/2
On Berlin—	
On demand	—
On New York—	
On demand	46 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight	48 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	120 1/2
On demand	129 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	120 1/2
On demand	129 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand	83 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand	94
On Shanghai—	
On demand	82
30 day's sight (private paper)	—
On Yokohama—	
On demand	100
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	—
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	10.00
Silver (per oz.)	24 5/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	2 1/2 % dis.
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	8 % Prem.
Rate of Native Interest	7 % p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	32 3/4 % dis.
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LETTERS & RADIO

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A General Post Office notification gives the following unclaimed correspondence, etc., waiting at the Post Office, and also unclaimed radio telegrams at the Radio Telegraph Office, Government Building:—

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Unpaid Correspondence
J. S. Flacks.

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0074 1675 1311 5364, Shanghai
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HUGE DIAMOND

REVIVAL OF TALE IN SHANGHAI

There appears to be some doubt as to the identity of the 100-carat diamond, alleged to be valued at \$500,000, which according to certain members of the Russian community was a part of the collection of the late Czar. It has been learned, however, that there is a 102-carat diamond in the Settlement, which first made its appearance here about 1920, says the "North China Daily News." At that time it was bruted round the clubs that the stone had been smuggled in to the port. This diamond is still in Shanghai. At one time, one of the local jewellers purchased the stone and sold it to a tobacco company, who intended to use it as a prize in a huge lottery, tickets being secured through

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the purchase of a brand of cigarettes, called Diamond. Official permission was denied to the company to further the lottery; and the stone was sold to a wealthy connoisseur.

Yellowish in Colour

Much historical interest attaches itself to this jewel, inasmuch as at one time, the monarch of a south European country presented it to Gaby Delys, who by force of circumstances had to dispose of it at a later date. Eventually the stone reached Shanghai.

Too much value has been placed on the gem, which, according to a prominent firm of jewellers, is worth only about \$45,000. It is yellowish in colour and it is said to have two flaws below the facets.

This explanation seems to solve the question of the fabulously grand jewel, but should there be a diamond of the value of \$500,000 in Shanghai, and should the owner present himself at the office of the "North China Daily News," he will be put into communication with a prospective purchaser.

STARTER LOCKS FOR CARS?

A number of people who are in the habit of leaving their cars in public garages have fitted their self-starter buttons with locks to prevent their unauthorised use. Their complaint is that unless this step is taken they frequently find that on returning to their cars the battery is in a much lower state than when they left it.

We are inclined to believe, says "The Light Car and Cyclecar," that, apart from the question of excessive use of the electric starter by garage hands, the standardisation of electric starter locks would be a popular move. Already many cars have locks for the ignition and lighting switches, and there seems to be no reason why the idea should not be extended to the starter. A starter knob is suggested which has a Yale-type lock incorporated within its body and serving also as an ignition switch.

Sport Columns

RAIN INTERFERES

ONLY ONE COUNTY CRICKET GAME FINISHED.

NOTTS LEAD CHAMPIONSHIP

Rain interfered with the six county cricket matches scheduled to conclude at home yesterday and only one reached a definite decision. There were two other first-class games.

With the programme curtailed, outstanding performances were fewer than usual.

By winning outright while all the nearer rivals were either resting or fighting indecisive battles, Notts now have a clear lead in the championship and two games in hand of Lancashire (the holders) who, until Wednesday, had the same number of points. Lancashire and Gloucestershire were unfortunate on account of the weather and Kent took a lead on the 1st innings.

Glamorgan again draw level with Somerset at the foot of the ladder, after Somerset had broken away in the match before last.

Results at Glance

Lancashire v. Derby—no result on 1st innings.

Hampshire conceded 1st innings points to Kent.

Surrey v. Gloucester—no result on 1st innings.

Worcester conceded 1st innings points to Middlesex.

Glamorgan led Essex on the 1st innings.

Notts defeated Northamptonshire by an innings and 67 runs.

Somerset lost to South Africans by an innings and 34 runs.

Yorkshire drew with an England XI.

Leading Counties

	Games Played	No. of Points
(1) Notts	19	114
(2) Lancashire	21	110
(3) Gloucester	20	107
(4) Kent	21	105
(5) Yorkshire	19	103
(6) Sussex	20	92
(7) Derby	20	91
(8) Middlesex	19	90
(9) Leicestershire	21	88
(10) Hampshire	22	82
(11) Surrey	19	78

[Figures in brackets denote positions on Wednesday.]

Four Centurions

Oldroyd (Yorkshire)	143
B. Mitchell (S. Africa)	127
Mead (Hants)	102
A. T. Barber (the Oxford Blue, playing for Yorkshire)	100

Best Bowling Figures

Voce (Notts)	7 for 23 and 7 for 20
Q. MacMillan (S. Africa)	8 for 50
I. A. R. Peebles (Middlesex)	6 for 57
Kennedy (Hants)	5 for 94
A. J. Bell (S. Africa)	3 for 23

Lancashire v. Derby

London, Yesterday.

At Manchester, no result on even the 1st innings could be reached in the match between Lancashire and Derbyshire. Scores:—

Lancashire (1st innings) 200 runs for 3 wickets, declared.

Derbyshire (1st innings) 101 runs for 4 wickets.

Each side gets four points.

Hampshire v. Kent

At Bournemouth, Hampshire conceded 1st innings' points to Kent. Scores:—

Hants (1st innings) 189 runs and (2nd innings) 208 runs for 3 wickets (Mead made 102 not out).

Kent (1st innings) 299 runs (Kennedy took 5 wickets for 94 runs).

Kent obtain five points to Hampshire's three.

Surrey v. Gloucestershire

At the Oval, no result in the match between Surrey and Gloucestershire was reached. Scores:—

Gloucester 122 runs for no wicket.

Surrey did not bat at all.

Each side gets four points.

Worcester v. Middlesex

At Worcester, Worcestershire conceded 1st innings' points to Middlesex. Scores:—

Worcester 148 runs (I. A. R. Peebles 6 for 57) and 258 runs for 8 wickets, declared.

Middlesex 180 runs for 8 wickets, declared and 57 runs for no wicket.

Glamorgan v. Essex

At Cardiff, Glamorgan led Essex on the 1st innings. Scores:—

Essex 205 runs and 66 runs for 2 wickets.

Glamorgan 216 runs for 4 wickets, declared.

Notts v. Northants

At Nottingham, Notts defeated Northamptonshire by an innings and 67 runs. Scores:—

Northants 76 runs (Voce 7 for 23) and 75 runs (Voce 7 for 20).

Notts 218 runs.

Somerset v. South Africans

At Taunton, Somersetshire lost to the South Africans by an innings and 34 runs. Scores:—

South Africans 302 runs for 4 wickets, declared (B. Mitchell 127).

Somerset 122 runs (Q. MacMillan 8 for 50) and 146 runs (A. J. Bell 3 for 23).

Yorkshire v. an England XI

At Sheffield, Yorkshire drew with an England XI, the match being abandoned, on account of rain, before the proper time for drawing stumps. Scores:—

Yorkshire 320 runs for 4 wickets (A. T. Barber 100, Oldroyd 143).

An England XI 55 runs for 3 wickets.—Reuter.

BOXING

NEW YORK OFFER OF WORLD'S TITLE FIGHT

Teddy Baldock, bantam-weight champion of Great Britain and Lonsdale belt holder received a cable offer during mail week from Mr. Jesse McMahon, the New York promoter formerly associated with the late Tex Rickard, inviting him to go to New York at the earliest possible date to meet Al Brown, the Panama negro, in a contest for the bantam-weight championship of the world.

Mr. Joe Morris, Baldock's manager, told "The Sporting Life" that he accepted the proposition provided that suitable terms could be arranged. He did not withdraw from his stand that Baldock was the world's title holder as well as British champion, by virtue of his defeat of Archie Bell in London in a contest for the then vacant title; but Baldock was willing to box any claimant to the crown, if only the money was right. He wanted to hold the title undisputed.

McMahon proposes to stage the match at Ebbetts Field, Brooklyn, New York, as one of the outstanding events of the summer sport season.

A match has been arranged between Teddy Baldock, who may go across to the States for a world's title contest, and Poteau, a contender for the Belgian feather-weight championship. The pair meet at Blackpool on August 5 over 15 rounds at 8st. 10lb.

BILLIARDS

CHINESE POLICE RESERVE v. H.M.S. "CASTOR"

Results of a friendly billiards match played between the Chinese Company, Police Reserve and H.M.S. "Castor" on Thursday.

H.K.P.R.		H.M.S. "Castor"	
F. C. Mowfung	150	Purchases	112
Sinn	150	Moody	43
Leung	150	Povey	135
Cheah	142	Mitch	150
Kwok	134	Spry	150
Wong	150	McKenzie	99

The Chinese Company, H.K.P.R., thus won by 187 points.

GOLF

LADIES' COMPETITIONS AT DEEP WATER BAY

A running medal competition held at Deep Water Bay during June and July was won by Mrs. Sherry with a score of 80—11 69.

Mrs. Whyte-Smith won the knock-out competition for a prize presented by Mrs. Piercy. The runner-up was Mrs. Pearce.

FOOTBALL

FEEES FOR REFEREES IN NEW SEASON

LEAGUE RULE AMENDED

A proposed alteration to League Rule 15, was considered at an extraordinary general meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association last evening. Mr. R. Hall presided.

The proposal was to delete the words "A" to "route" in the second paragraph which reads:—

"A fee of two dollars and travelling expenses by the cheapest route will be paid to referees by the League for each match, at the end of the season or on leaving the Colony."

And substitute "A fee of \$5 will be paid to referees," etc., (as per old wording).

Mr. F. Smith said that the subject was discussed at a meeting of the Referees' Association and a suggestion was made that the fee for referees should be \$5 for Class 1, \$4 for Class 2, and \$3 for Class 3.

Lieut. George submitted an amended proposal that the alteration to the rule should read that referees should be paid according to the class of matches—\$5 for Division 1, \$4 for Division II, and \$3 for mid-week matches.

This was seconded by Mr. Smith and carried unanimously.

WELSH F.A. TOURISTS IN CANADA

So far we have a wonderful tour in this great White Continent of Canada, writes Mr. T. Robbins, secretary of the Welsh F.A., in the "Athletic News."

I do not intend to write much about our players, whom the Canadians seem to know even better than myself, their colleagues, or the manager of the tour; I propose to deal with the game in Canada.

I have tried to be observant and ascertain how progress is being made, and I am satisfied that the lessons of the visits of England, Scotland, and Cornishian teams have borne much fruit. Our first game, with the Province of Quebec, at Montreal, is claimed to be the finest seen in the Commonwealth.

A Brilliant Display
It was a game in which Wales rose to the occasion, and some brilliant football was shown by those versatile artists Vizard, Charles Jones, Len Davies, Neale, and Rees Williams. The crowd rose to the left wing and to Len Davies' unselfish football.

As regards the Canadians, let me say straight away that their display would have pleased immensely our British confreres. I enjoy at home first, second, third division League football, but no side could please the eye more than these players, who were selected by their province.

The goalkeepers here are wonderful. The boy Nelson, who played against us in our first game, is the son of an old Ranger who played for Scotland many years ago. He filled the eye. We were advised that the goalkeepers would be good, and this is attributed to the fact that they become good catchers in baseball or basket ball.

Their backs have learned the right way to hook a ball, and the half-backs tackle well and in the English method. Our first match brought out the fact that the trainer had been with Reading. He was keen to find a side to beat us. An incentive to win is offered by the leading merchants. They put up a prize or prizes for players who give the best service in a match!

V.R.C. NIGHT FETE

POSTPONEMENT CAUSES DISAPPOINTMENT

A large number of members and spectators who turned up at the Victoria Recreation Club last night for the night fete were keenly disappointed to find that it had been postponed.

The heavy showers during the day and the uncertainty of weather conditions rendered the postponement necessary, but, by an irony of fate, last night was fine.

It has not yet been definitely decided when the fete will be held, but it is understood that, weather permitting, next Friday night will be the likely date.

FIRMS' LOSSES

A SERIES OF ALLEGED FRAUDS

SEVEN CHINESE CHARGED

Seven Chinese were yesterday afternoon charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, with having been concerned in a series of frauds in which several local Chinese firms were alleged to have been victimised.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks. Mr. A. E. Hall defended the first accused, whilst Mr. Frank X. d'Almada appeared for three of the others. The remaining defendants were not legally represented.

Mr. Brooks intimated that there was a possibility of second defendant turning King's evidence on promise of a pardon.

Mr. Hall objected, pointing out that the man had not pleaded "guilty."

Put Up a Notice
His Worship settled the matter by questioning this defendant who declared that he had no desire to give evidence.

Mr. Brooks then outlined the case for the prosecution. He said that the Kwong Fat Wing firm formerly carried on business at 11, Connaught-road Central, second floor, for some 14 years. On April 28, having got into financial difficulties, they closed their premises and the partners left the Colony.

Three weeks later the first defendant approached the principal tenant of the premises, who had at one time been the owner, to rent the second floor. Defendant entered into possession and put up a notice outside the premises to the effect that it was the Kwong Fook Wing firm.

23 Witnesses
One of the defendants then went round purchasing goods in the name of the Kwong Fat Wing (the original firm). In other cases the goods were obtained by one of them going to the shops and saying that payment would be guaranteed by the Kwong Fat Wing firm. Evidence would be brought to show that goods were received by the defendants and that they chopped the sellers' books with the name of the original firm.

Mr. Brooks added that he had 23 witnesses and there were about twelve shops as complainants. Some of the shop people would say that attempts were made to obtain goods from them. The case was adjourned after some evidence had been taken.

The Rev. Stanley Charles Moseley, vicar of Fairfield, Buxton, is collapsed while playing tennis, and died on the court.

CHURCH NOTICES

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Aug. 4, 9th Sunday after Trinity.
Holy Communion, 8 a.m.
Children's Service, 10 a.m.
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Matins, 11 a.m.
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BRIDEGROOM OF 76

PRINCE JOHAN OF LIECHTENSTEIN TO MARRY AGAIN

Vienna, July 19.
The forthcoming marriage is announced of Prince Johan of Liechtenstein, who is 76 years of age. His bride is a member of the old aristocracy of Vienna and is 51. Liechtenstein, of which Prince Johan is the reigning sovereign, is the smallest Principality in Europe. —Trans-Ocean.

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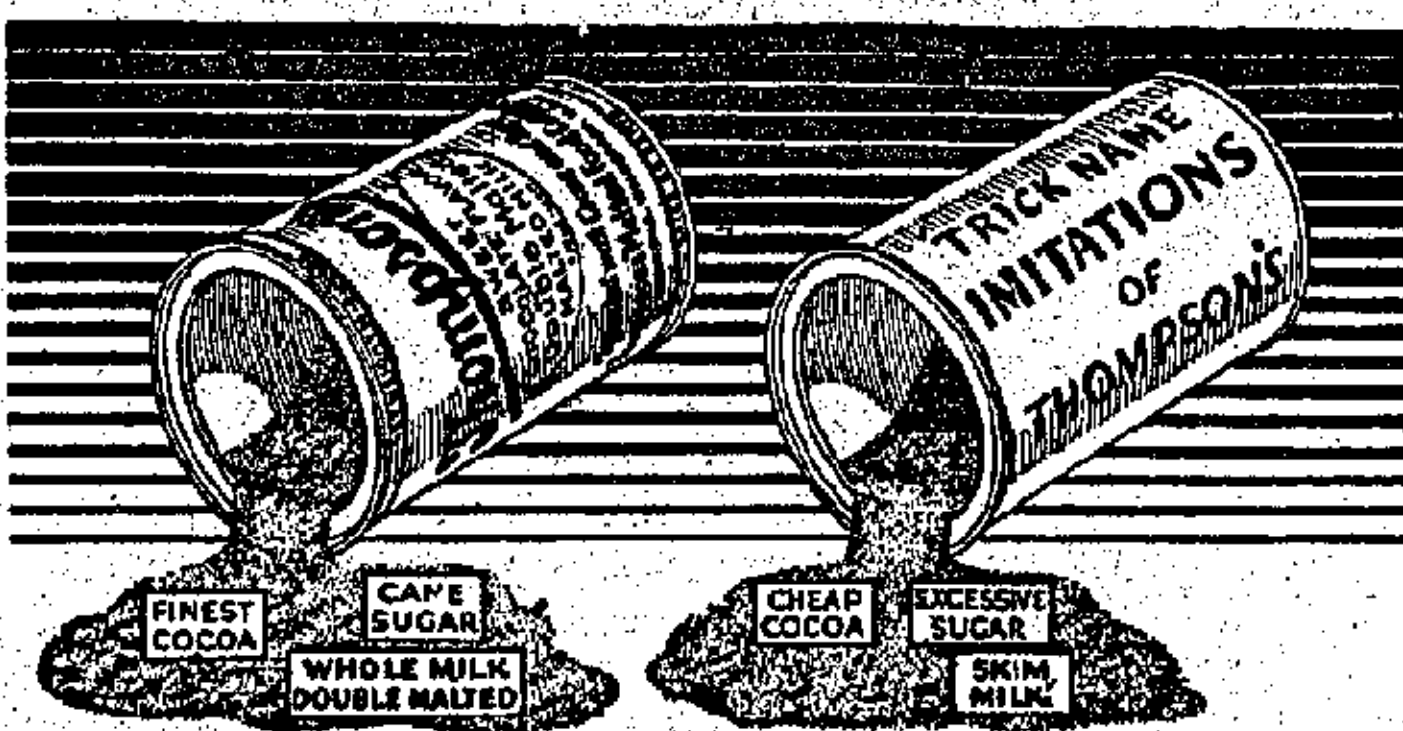
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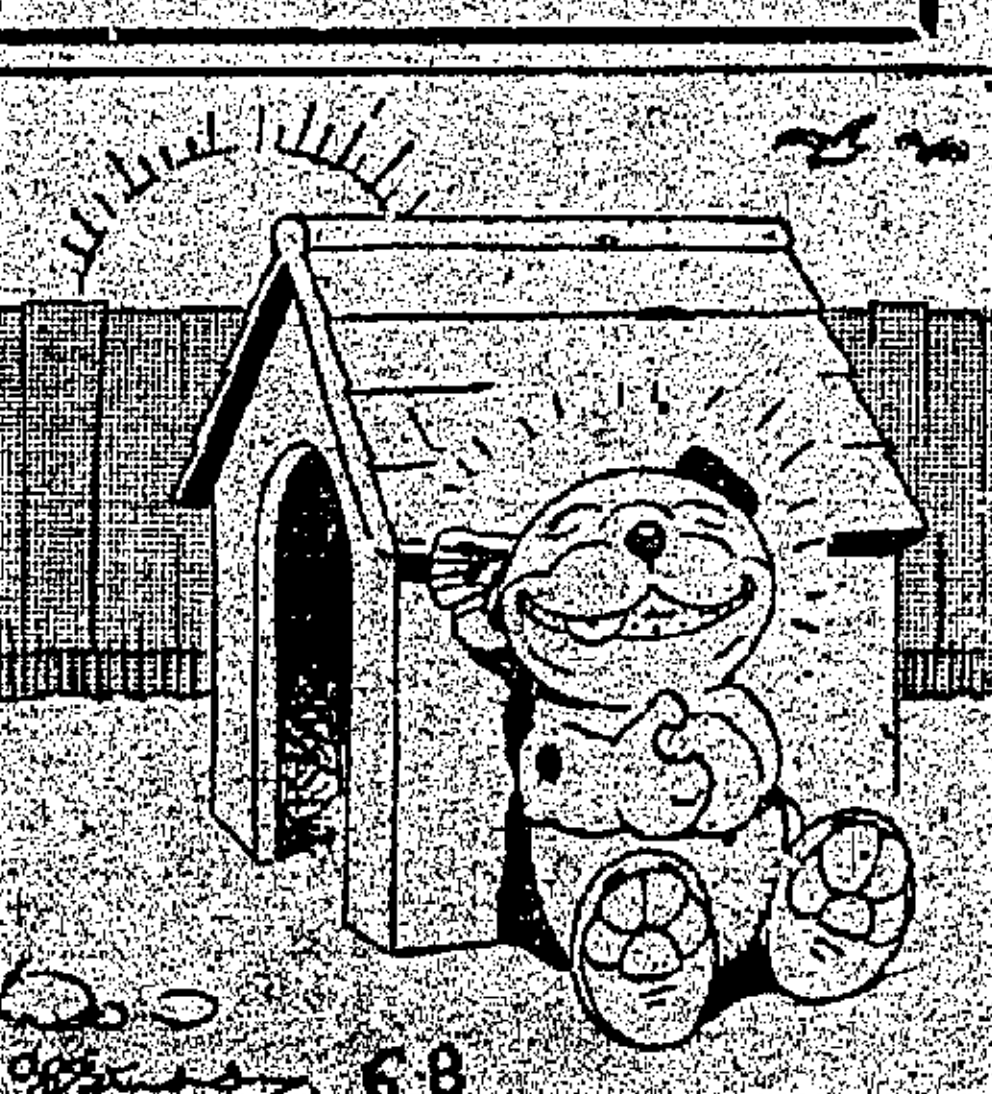
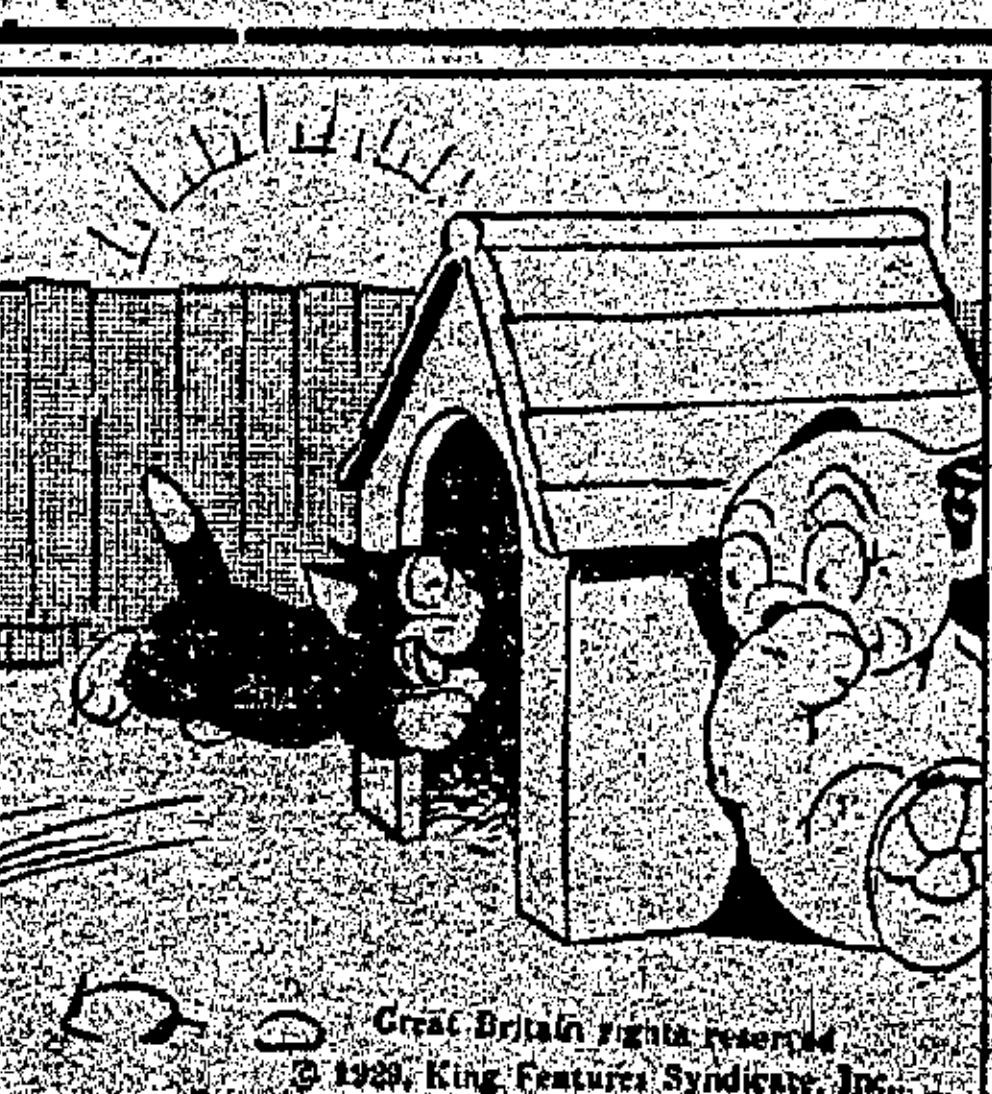
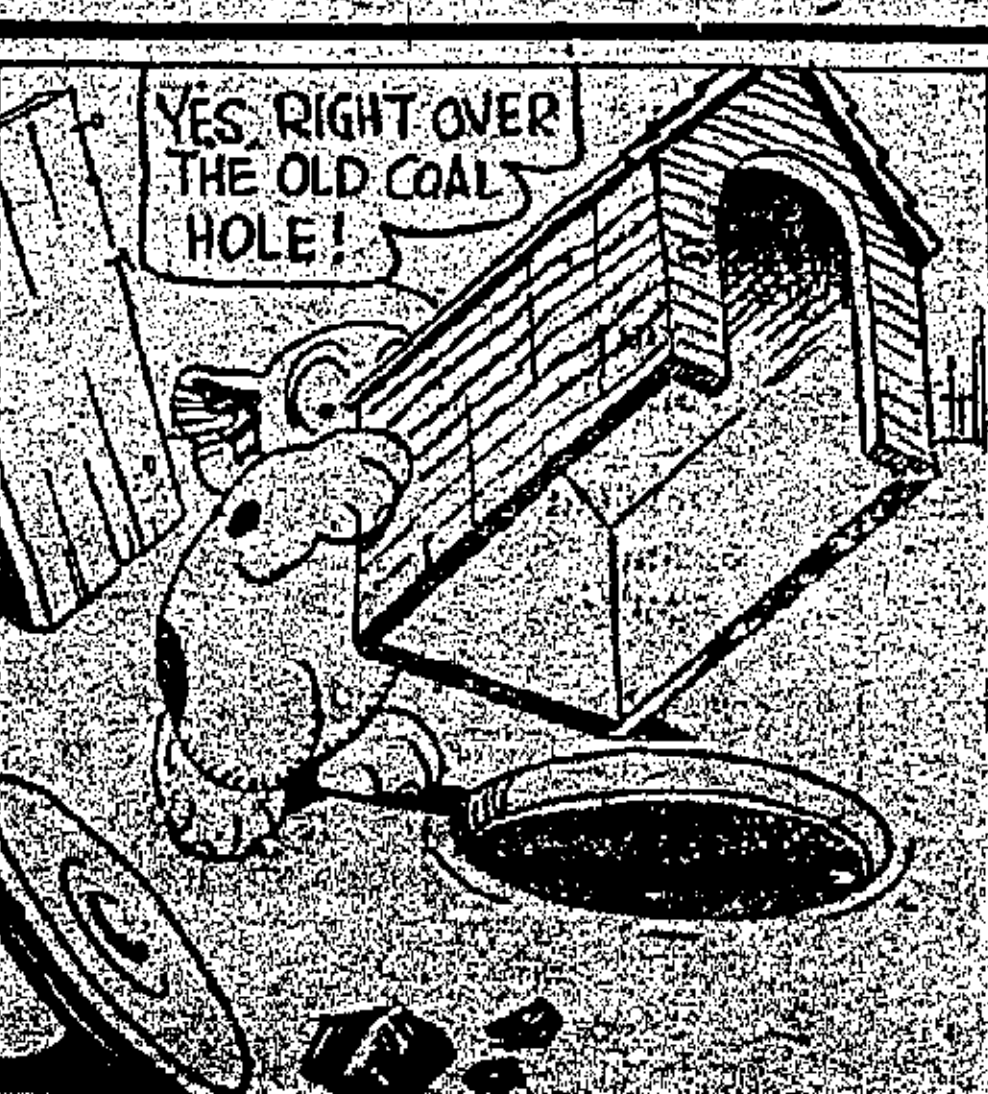
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Duke At Garden Party



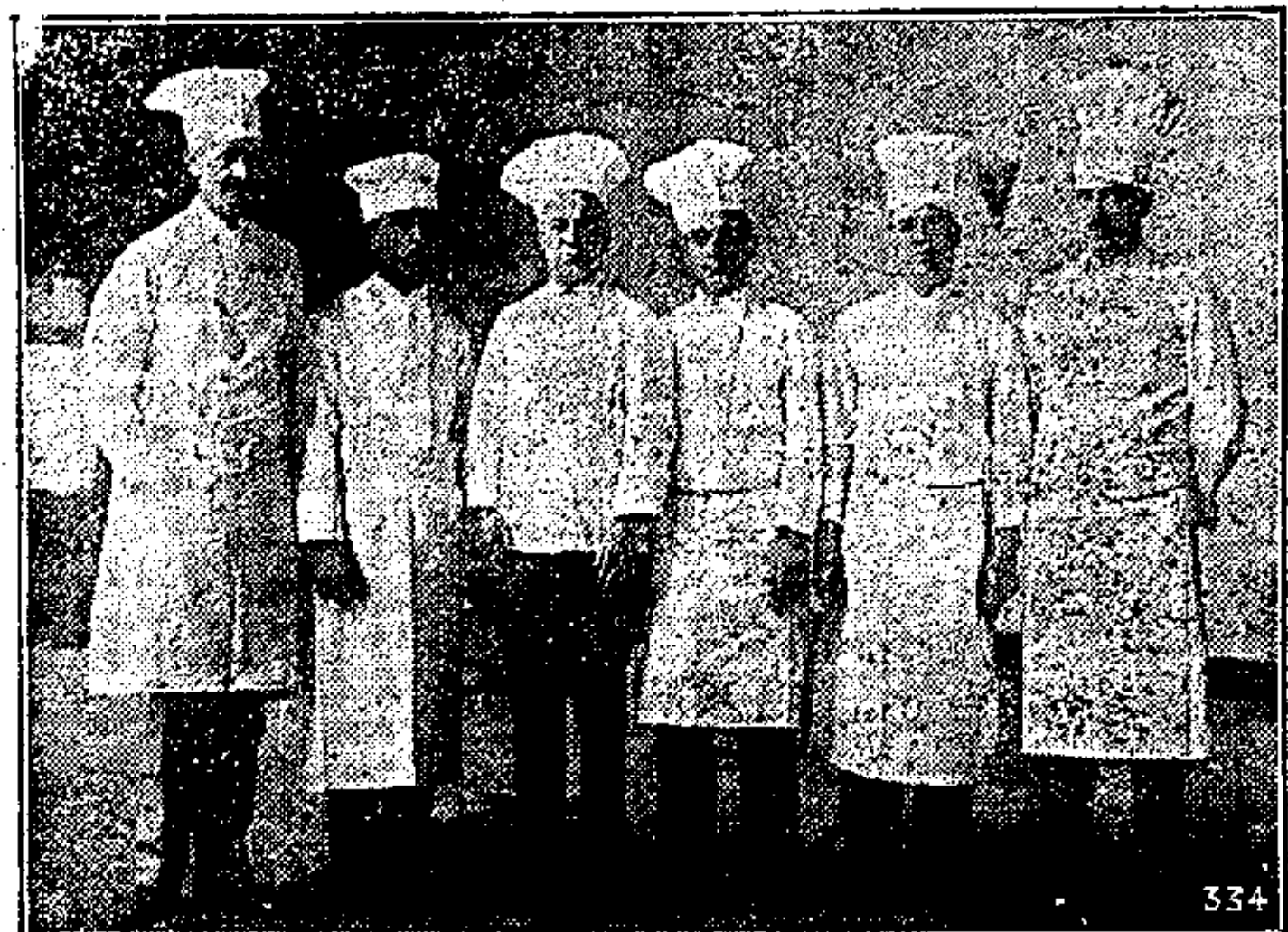
The Duke of Gloucester, third son of the King, receives at a garden party held in honour of His Majesty's birthday at Victoria, B.C. Lt. Governor Randolph Bruce is on the right and Miss Helen Mackenzie, the latter's niece, on the left.

The Smiling Duke



The smiling Duke of Gloucester, third son of the King, standing between Lt. Governor Randolph Bruce of British Columbia (right) and the latter's niece, Miss Helen Mackenzie, at a garden party given in honour of the King's birthday in Victoria, B.C.

An Army Of Cordon Bleu Chefs



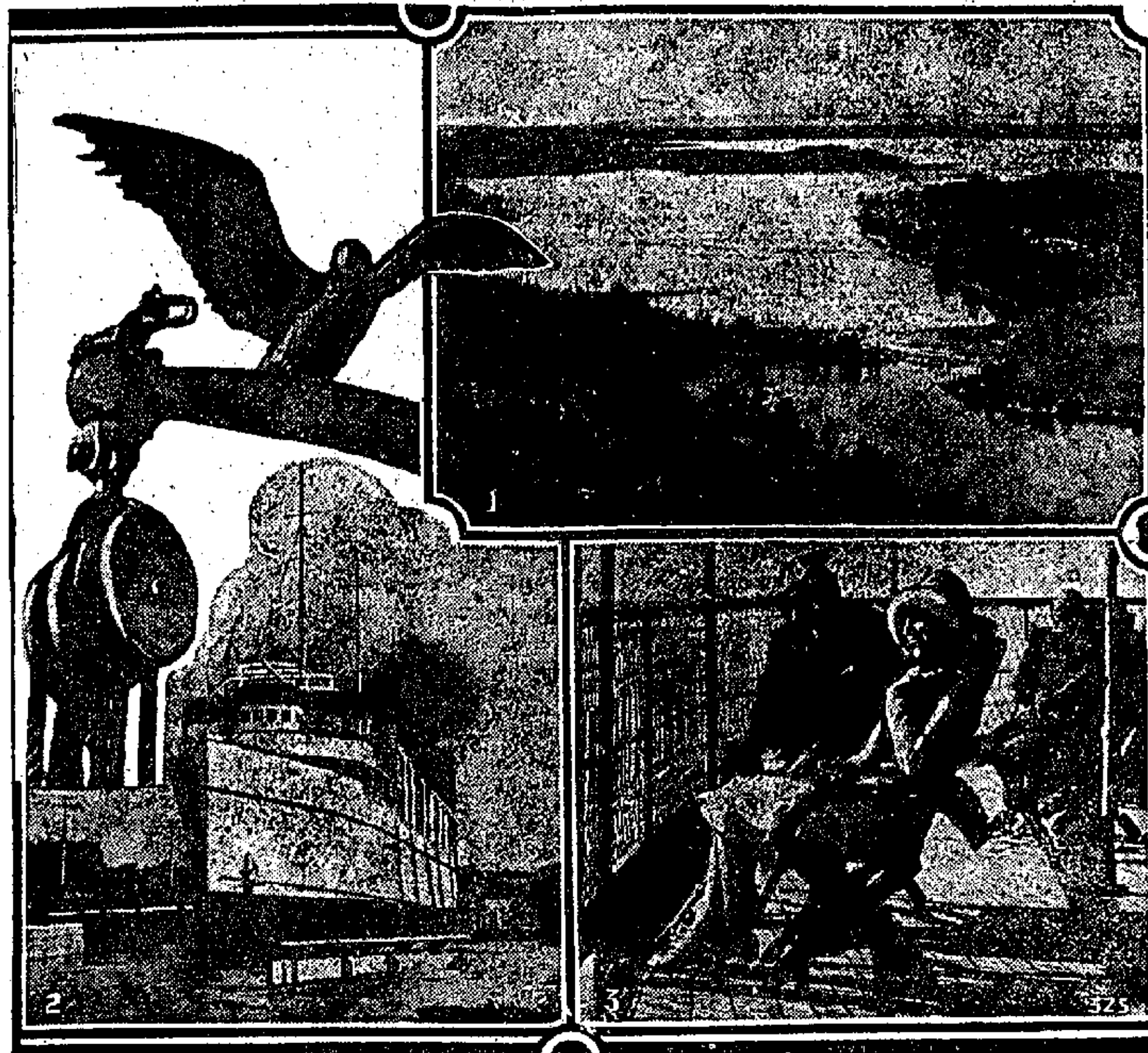
An "army," said Napoleon, marches on its stomach, but a hotel prospers as much as anything on its food. These are the men at the Royal York Hotel who are responsible for the good cheer at that famous hostelry which was opened last week by the Governor-General with a distinguished company of prominent Canadians including the president and directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the premier of Ontario and many others. These chefs command an army of 175 culinary experts and indirectly another army of 300 waiters. They are from left to right: E. Argange, party chef; R. Albertella, assistant chef; J. Cherrier, head chef; J. Aubard, assistant chef; W. Thonfeld, banquet chef; and P. Raaberg, grill chef.

Getting The Railway's Goat



Every year there is a contest between the two big railway systems of Canada for what is called the "Railway Goat," the trophy awarded to the winner in the softball teams made up by the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railways. This year C. P. R. took it with a score of 15-17. Figures which indicate how keenly the contest was fought out. The trophy is now dubbed—for at least a year—the C. N. R. goat and the animal will "repose" at headquarters of the C. P. R. until it is either lost or retained at the annual fight next year.

A Trip Through Canada's Inland Ocean



1. View of Manitoulin Island from aboard ship.
2. S.S. ASSINIBOIA passing through Sault Ste. Marie locks which connect Lakes Huron and Superior.
3. Deck scene on S.S. KEEWATIN on Lake Superior.

The Great Lakes—Canada's inland ocean—opened to navigation last month, are just entering on their summer condition of offering one of the major attractions of the Dominion to tourists. Vistas of beautiful islands and frowning headlands present some of the most beautiful scenery on the North American continent, while the illusion of sea travel is given to passengers when for a full day at least nothing but water is visible from the ship. Canadian Pacific ships, traversing their waters weekly, supply every up-to-date comfort and facility to travellers and remarkable engineering works add to the list of sights and beauties which nature gives in profusion.

Often you say "some day I'll take an ocean voyage," but did you ever stop to think that next door to you is an inland ocean where for two glorious days aboard a Canadian Pacific ship you can enjoy your long-dreamed-of voyage? If you haven't, the chance lies open to you and you can take the delightful cruise across Huron's blue waters, through the lovely St. Mary's River and away over the broad

expanse of Lake Superior, the largest body of fresh water in the world.

You can take it as a trip in itself or you can take it as a break in your rail journey across the continent. It carries you from Port McNicoll to the Head of the Lakes at the Twin Cities. The great white ships of the Canadian Pacific speed along with all the swift grace of gulls that circle and dip at the mast heads or perch and flutter above the deck rails. Perfection of service adds a last pleasing touch to the scene, the comfort of the staterooms and the social affairs on deck and below.

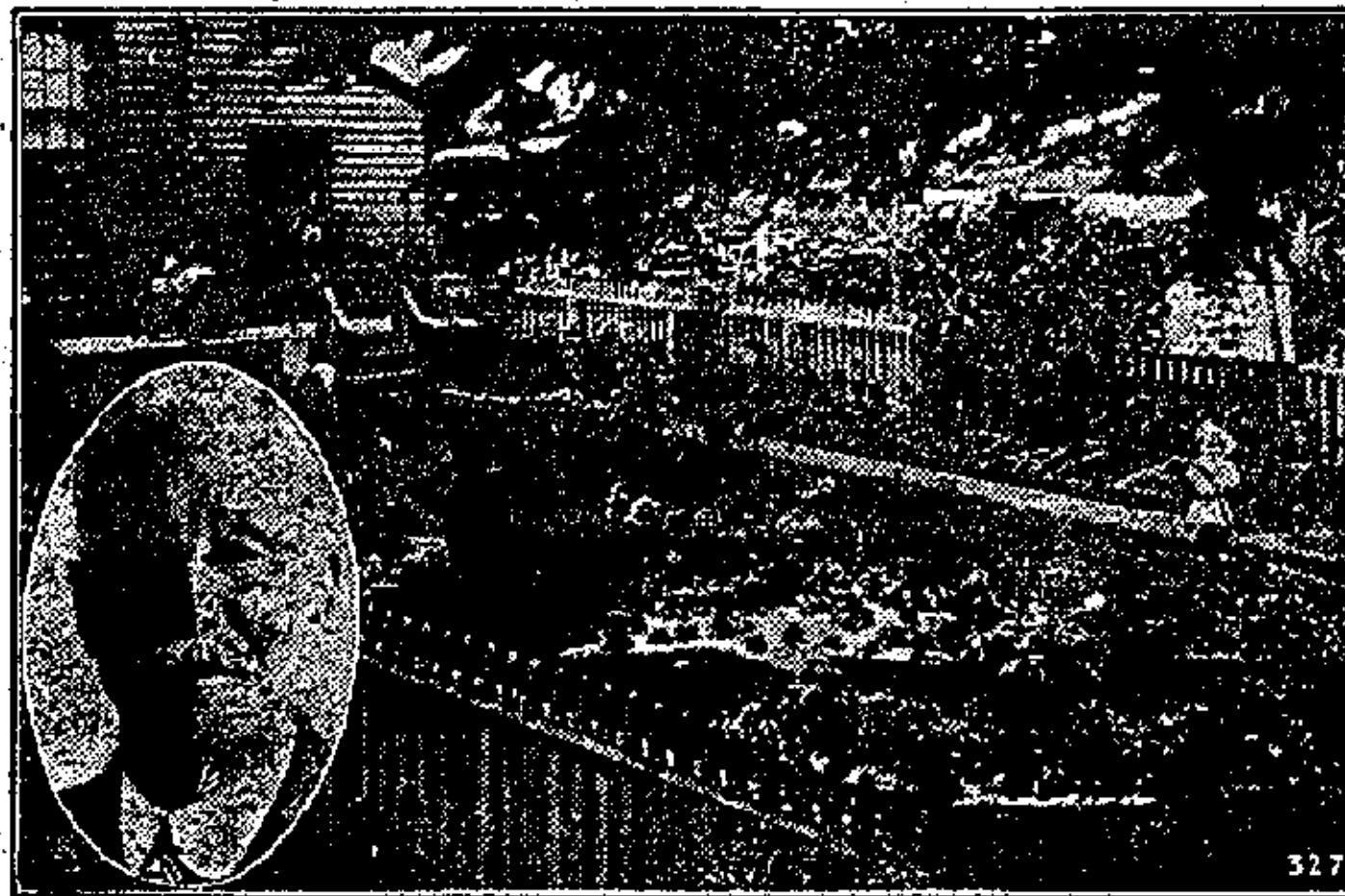
Since the level of Lake Superior is 21 feet higher than that of Lake Huron the Sault Ste. Marie lock has been constructed and the Canadian Ship Canal to join up the two lakes. This remarkable engineering work is one of the sights of the voyage. Three fine ships make the trip weekly for the Canadian Pacific, the "Keewatin," "Assiniboia," and "Manitoba," two from Port McNicoll and one from Owen Sound, with the same number of eastward sailings from the Twin Cities.

Economic Expert



Charles H. Luke, of the executive staff of the Trade and Engineering Supplement of the London Times, is spending three months in Canada studying the power situation and question of undeveloped and new areas in this country. Photograph was taken at the Banff Springs Hotel recently where Mr. Luke has been staying prior to interviewing members of the provinces and federal and provincial government officials. He will also address Boards of Trade in many Canadian cities.

Making the Railway Beautiful



1—John Caesar, pioneer of Canadian Pacific Station Gardens.
2—First Canadian Pacific Station Garden at Markdale, Ont., 1881.

John Caesar, like his great prototype, "came, saw and conquered." When he first started as station agent at Markdale, Ont., back in 1881, it was just a station with the rails running past it. He decided that passengers should sit up and take notice when they passed through his territory, so he started in to landscape garden it. Soon he had a beauty spot where before there had been little to interest the traveller. Canadian Pacific officials were quick to recognize the value of the work and the Floral Department of the railway was formed. Mr. Caesar was chosen to look after the beautification of the road and he has to his credit a large number of stations through Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, and Maine.

Since 1871 Mr. Caesar has been drawing pay cheques from railways and probably has signed more than any other living railroad man. When he retired in 1917 on his agent's pension, he went on to work at landscape gardening and has literally created hundreds of station gardens, some of them real showplaces. "I have received new life from the soil," he says, in replies to compliments on his fresh complexion and alert manner, for he is a man well in the seventies, and he hopes to make many more gardens before he completes his life span.

Toronto Greet's Ottawa by Air



WHEN the Canadian Pacific Air Express service was inaugurated on King's Birthday between Toronto and Ottawa, Mayor Samuel McBride of the Queen City sent a silver tray to Mayor Arthur Ellis of the capital in commemoration of the event. Photograph shows J. W. Somers, Toronto City clerk, handing the "express" package to Captain Earl Hand, pilot of the plane, which is shown at the Leaside Airport, Toronto, ready to start. On June 6, Hamilton Airport was opened with similar circumstances and at this function also the Canadian Pacific Express was represented and carried a number of packages. Opening of these airports indicates a wide extension of airplane service in this country and a proof of the growing "air-mindedness" of Canadians.



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["New Silent Friends," by Richard King; Hodder and Stoughton, 2/6 net.]

This is a collection of short sketches in which the author converses familiarly with his readers on all sorts of topics. Mr. King is a genial philosopher whose slogans are "Live and let live": "Mind your own business and above all keep a curb on your tongue." Some of his aphorisms are neat and quaint: thus "Study is the joy of middle age, not a youthful joy." "Letters are often but the administration of oxygen to a friend, already in extremis." "Life stretches away behind as a metaphorical mass of loose ends: the majority of people reach old age exasperated by the thought that they really seem to have accomplished nothing worth while." "There is really nothing quite so venomous as the gossiping tongues of those who live in rural places." "How jealous most of us are of the reputation certain people have for being better than we are ourselves." "The sexual sins are gloated over and remembered longer than all others."

Mr. King has some trenchant things to say about matrimony and our divorce laws. The articles at the beginning of the book about bachelor housekeeping are excellent but the two which end the volume are platitudinous. Much better had the author applied the blotter at the end of his sketch entitled "Cornwall." As it is, however, the book, in spite of these last two articles and a frequent tendency of the author to repeat himself and his glaring misuse of the word "like," is a charming compilation well up to the high standard of entertainment that one expects from volumes in the People's Library.

REIGN OF TERROR

THE MYSTERY OF "JACK THE RIPPER"

The Right Hon. T. P. O'Connor, M.P., writes in T.P.'s Weekly:—

I have very good reasons—apart from those which attracted the attention of the author of this book—"The Mystery of Jack the Ripper" by Leonard Matters (Hutchinson, 10s. 6d.)—to remember "Jack the Ripper." His crimes came upon London in the most critical moments for me—for they happened within a few weeks after I had started the "Star." I was young to editing at the time, and had paid little attention to any topic in my paper—or indeed in any other paper—but that of the keen political struggle that was then going on over Home Rule. An old editor warned me not to make the mistake of thinking, because politics so absorbed me, they would necessarily absorb the attention of my readers; he warned me that most people were more interested in sport than in politics, and above all he warned me that a crime was a subject of ever-absorbing importance to the general mass of readers.

Courts of Death
A startling confirmation of this last statement came to me when the murders of Jack the Ripper began to horrify and finally to absorb the attention of most of the reading public, especially in the East End, where the murders were committed. Almost night after night for a few weeks the body of a prostitute was found in one of the back streets or courts of Whitechapel. Most of the bodies were mutilated as well as murdered. There was no trace left whatever that could lead to the detection of the murderer.

The circulation of my paper went up from something over a hundred thousand to two hundred thousand copies, and finally to a quarter of a million or more; the newspaper presses were working at feverish haste to bring out edition after edition, which were grabbed by eager crowds outside.

At that time the chief reporter on my staff was a gentleman who was then unknown, but soon afterwards rose to great eminence and to great wealth by entering into combination with Alfred Harmsworth. Kennedy Jones had a weird insight into what

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"The Ceylon Observer," who are the publishers of this standard reference book on Ceylon are to be congratulated on their efforts. "Ferguson's Directory" was first published by them in 1859 annually on May 15. The book is therefore now in its 70th year.

Although the current year's edition was produced in circumstances which were unique in its career—in that the workmen went on strike for over two months and a half—yet the Directory was issued on May 17, only two days after the usual date of publication! A fine effort!

It is a concise and up-to-date Directory containing information of vital importance to commercial houses having connection with Ceylon, as well as to residents of that country.

The Directory is well printed on good paper and the classified sections make it easy of reference.

It would attract the public mind, and his conviction was that if you wanted a big circulation you must pay special attention to crime and to sport. One day he said to me (I had not yet realized the importance of the man) that if you wanted to sell a paper at, say, the Elephant and Castle, the first thing you had to do was to be there before anybody else with the first news of the races of the day. "It does not matter," he said vehemently, "what your politics are; your readers may be Tory or Liberal. Home Rule or Unionist, whatever you please; if your paper, with the result of a race, gets to the Elephant and Castle thirty seconds before any other, your paper will be bought."

He had the same view with regard to a popular murder. There was a case, very famous at the time, where a man murdered a girl at the seaside. I cannot tell you all the elaborate measures which were taken by Kennedy Jones to get the first news of the verdict. He had several men stationed about the court-house, an elaborate system of signals by which the result could be conveyed from the window next the jury box; and, in short, I think we were the first to announce to our office in London the verdict.

"Leather Apron"
One day Kennedy Jones came to me in a state of great excitement to tell me that he would be able to track down the author of these horrible Whitechapel murders, who, at that particular period, was to many people, especially in the East End, the most interesting man in the kingdom. The murders had thoroughly frightened the people. Vigilance committees had been appointed to help the police in tracking down this monster. Several people narrowly escaped being lynched because of their supposed identification as the author of the murders. For a while there was an unfortunate Pole, who, for some reason or other, was known among his associates as "Leather Apron" and who for days figured at the top of the interesting personalities of the period. Until, in the end, there seemed to be an accumulation of evidence that in him the assassin was at last to be found.

My paper was one of the many which had printed all the evidence that seemed to point to "Leather Apron" as the murderer; but soon afterwards the poor devil was able to prove incontrovertibly his innocence. A dexterous expedient adopted by my then chief sub-editor (still a distinguished figure in newspaper life) saved us from what might have been a ruinous action for libel. We got off, I remember, with fifty pounds—it might have cost us five hundred or five thousand!

Another False Trail
Mr. Kennedy Jones, backed by a man who had been once in the detective force and who had dropped out, professed to think that at last he had got the clue to the murderer, and he induced me to take up the abundant material and to write a series of articles about the crimes, and in that way to point distinctly to the real murderer. He and the detective were able to produce such evidence that seemed to be very convincing. I still remember the

(Continued at foot of next Column.)

ROMANTIC TRILOGY

LUDWIG II. OF BAVARIA

This biography completes what the author terms a "romantic trilogy"—"Franz Liszt, the Man of Love," "Chopin, a Man of Solitude," the sub-title of this last volume being "The Man of Illusion." It may be doubted whether such labels are happy; there were many great lovers besides the Abbe Liszt, many lonely souls besides Chopin, and all touched with insanity might be called "men of illusion," while these three had other sides to their characters. Human beings are too complex for division into those arbitrary types, and in the present biography there is an attempt to trim the specimen to fit the tag on the case, and to overdo an alluring but misleading resemblance between Ludwig II. and Shakespeare's Hamlet. The reader would probably relish the story without these devices of which M. Pourtales, an accomplished writer of the analytical, emotional school, stands in no need; that is, if it is admitted that such a dreadful tale can be relished by any save the morbidly curious.

The most tragic life of this unhappy man—handsome, gifted, noble, inspired by exalted ideals, lovable and sincere—cannot be read without a deep pity and the sense of shame that comes from probing into suffering.

Excuse for Hero
The author, who writes (or has translated) vaguely, seems to doubt the insanity of Ludwig II., and brings out the modern scapegoat, a repressed childhood, as an excuse for much of his hero's behaviour; but the sanest of the sane have often had grim or stupid parents, and nothing but a deep taint of what we still have no other name for but "insanity" can explain the actions of this beautiful youth (the beauty shows even in the ugly dress, the stiff photograph) of the ancient house of Wittelsbach, his own master at 20, wealthy, admired, obeyed, a king.

And the horror of the haunting tallies precisely in the fact that with his material circumstances of fairy-tale brightness this unfortunate man evolved a spiritual hell, in which he ultimately sank, entirely out of his own soul.

In his youth the mighty genius of Richard Wagner lured him into the unbearable twilight, the monstrous tangle where move the ancient gods who are not lightly to be faced by mortals; and in his middle age the stucco glories of Versailles inspired him into lunatic buildings of lonely splendour, where, surrounded only by lackeys, the Bavarian who never reigned posed in a travesty of the Roi Soleil, who, sane and shrewd, was perhaps the lesser man.

Terrible Absurdity
The last touch of poignancy is given by the terrible absurdity; Ludwig, enraptured by Wagner, was sublimely mad; Ludwig, enthralled by Louis XIV., was ridiculously crazy—and how much more tragic in consequence!

M. Pourtales does not emphasise a horrible touch of the grotesque in this pitiful story—the umbrella that was the constant companion of this Tristan-Lohengrin who braved, in his mind, all the tempests of earth and heaven. An umbrella, not a sword, was thrust into the plaster statue that shamed his dreams; an umbrella was waved at the trees where the Valkyrie rode through the leafage; in the final violent, piteous end it was an umbrella that was found on the banks of the lake, the day promised wet for the last walk.

Many there be who cannot well separate the dream from the business, and for them the tragedy of Ludwig of Bavaria, with his soaring empty palaces and his umbrella, will possess a horrid fascination; for though the man was mad it was with a most understandable madness.

The name of the man whom this evidence was intended to identify; he belonged to a respectable firm of horticulturists, and the story wound up with the statement that he was ultimately found drowned in the Thames. It turned out that we were quite wrong, and that all my time and trouble had been given in vain.

And now I have before me a book which re-tells the whole story, and in which the author gives his own solution of the mystery and professes to identify the man who was the real murderer. He gives him a false name, but he accumulates a great deal of testimony that certainly is well worth study. The murderer to whom he points fortunately is dead; he died in some South American country, and I don't believe his name was even mentioned at the time of the murders. But there is the story; it is very well told, and certainly it is well worth investigation.



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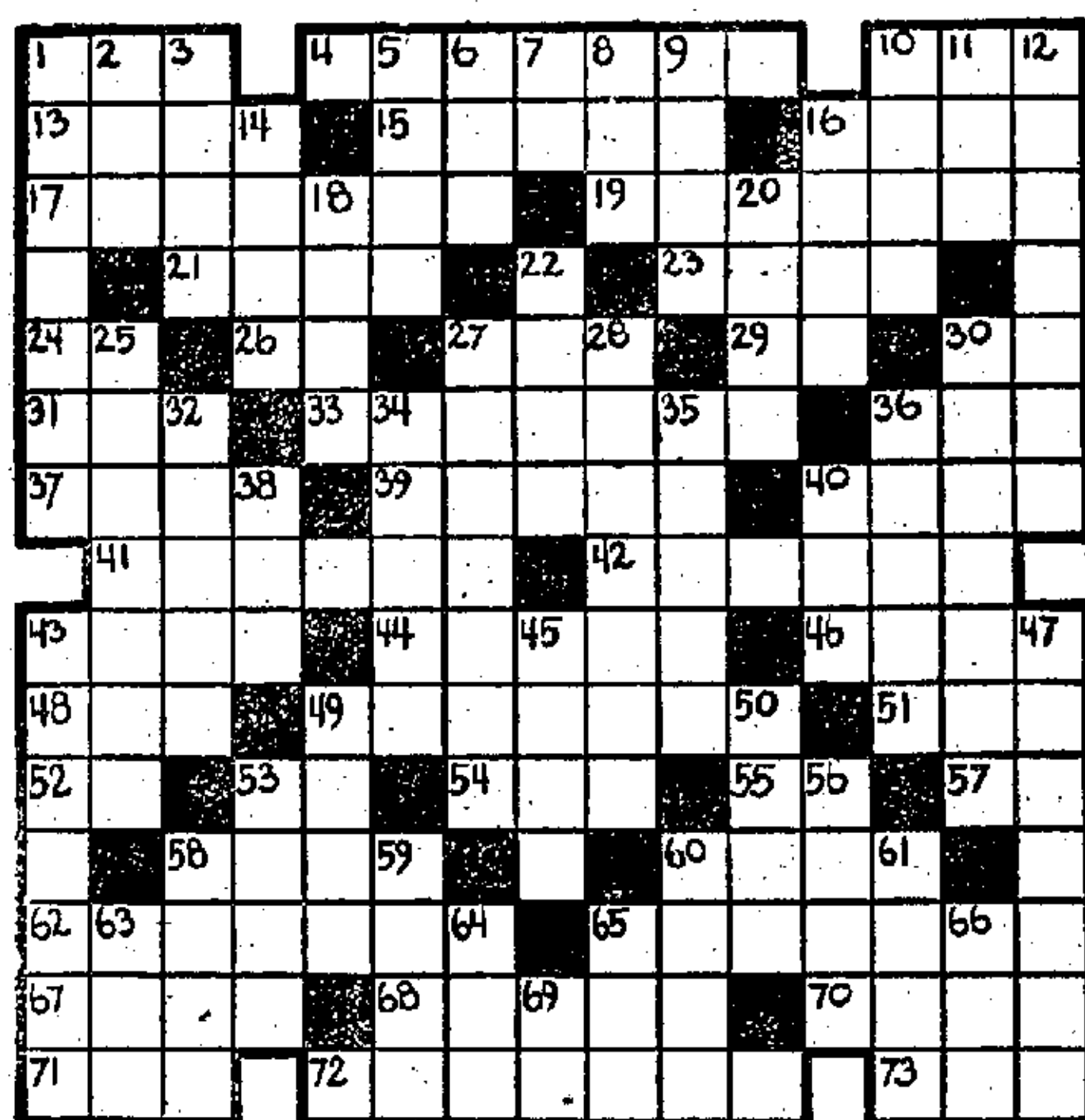
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plear, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1—Wager
- 4—Directed
- 10—Varnish-like substance
- 13—Island
- 15—Asiatic country
- 16—Particle
- 17—Alkin
- 19—Lawn coverings
- 21—God of love
- 23—Snowshoes
- 24—Musical note
- 26—Accomplish
- 27—Social clique
- 29—Exlate
- 30—Man's name (short)
- 31—Printer's measure (pl.)
- 33—Lamp
- 36—A liquor
- 37—Sketches
- 39—Lariat
- 40—Urges
- 41—Public speaker
- 42—Fall
- 43—Uneven
- 44—Ball teams
- 46—Floate up and down
- 48—Poem
- 49—Pays no attention to

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 51—Sour
- 52—Pronoun
- 53—Conjunction
- 54—Motor fuel
- 55—A parent
- 57—Like
- 58—Female sheep
- 59—Man's name
- 60—Throws off
- 61—Grazing space
- 62—Paradise
- 63—Made public
- 64—Foam
- 65—Man's name (short)
- 66—Even with
- 67—Affirmative
- 68—Methods
- 69—Angers
- 70—Mineral springs
- 71—Man's name
- 72—Science
- 73—Level
- 74—Pierce
- 75—Objectionable
- 76—fellow
- 77—Girl's name
- 78—N. W. State (abbr.)
- 79—Title of respect
- 80—A legume
- 81—Regret
- 82—Musical note

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 18—Implement
- 20—Related
- 22—Allows
- 25—Invasions
- 28—Trapping
- 29—Provers
- 30—School study
- 32—Help
- 34—Lengthwise
- 35—Awaken
- 36—Glowing
- 38—Course
- 40—Flow out
- 43—Injured
- 45—Bible character
- 47—Methods
- 49—Angers
- 50—Mineral springs
- 53—Man's name
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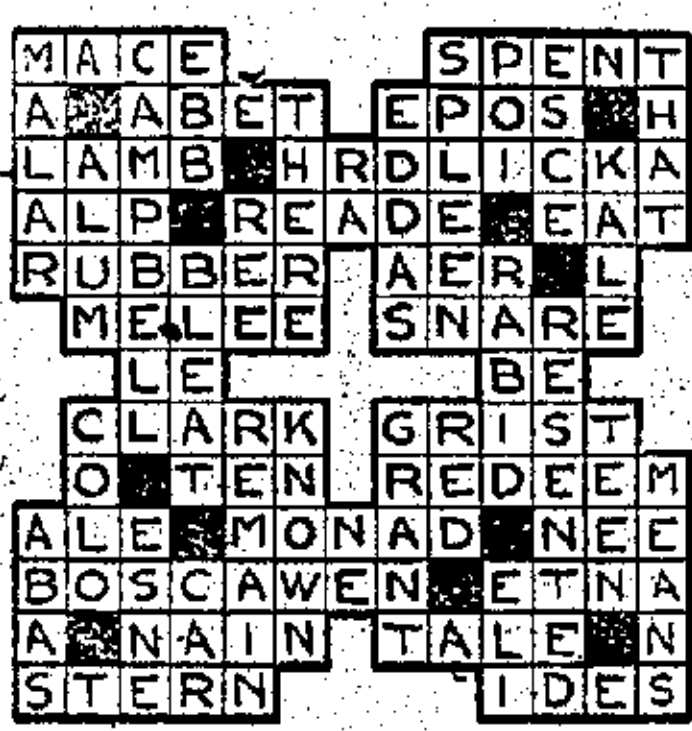
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10	5.58	6.59
11	5.58	6.58
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22	5.59	6.50
23	5.59	6.49
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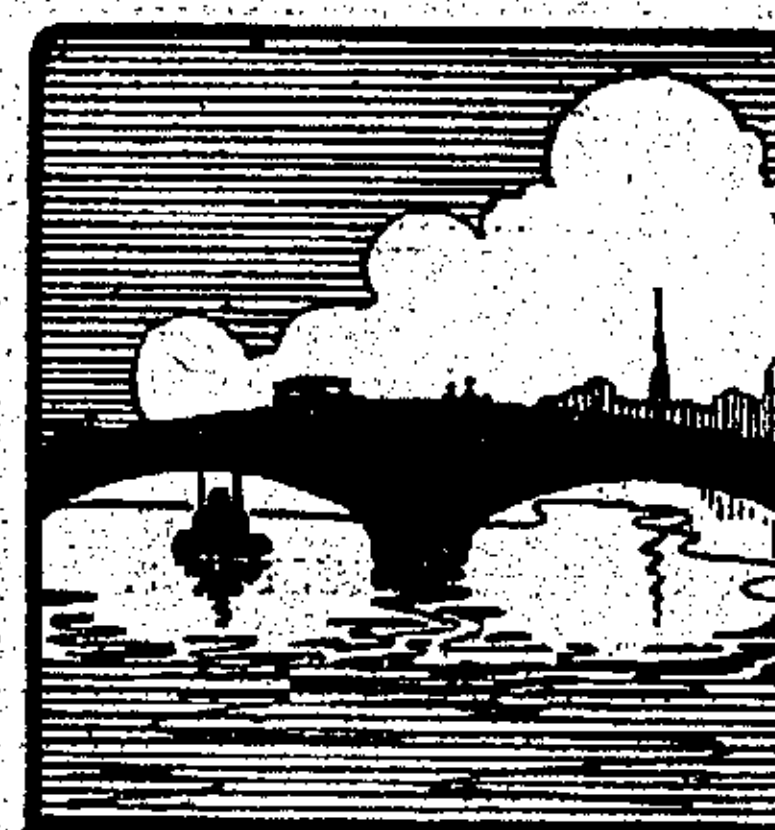
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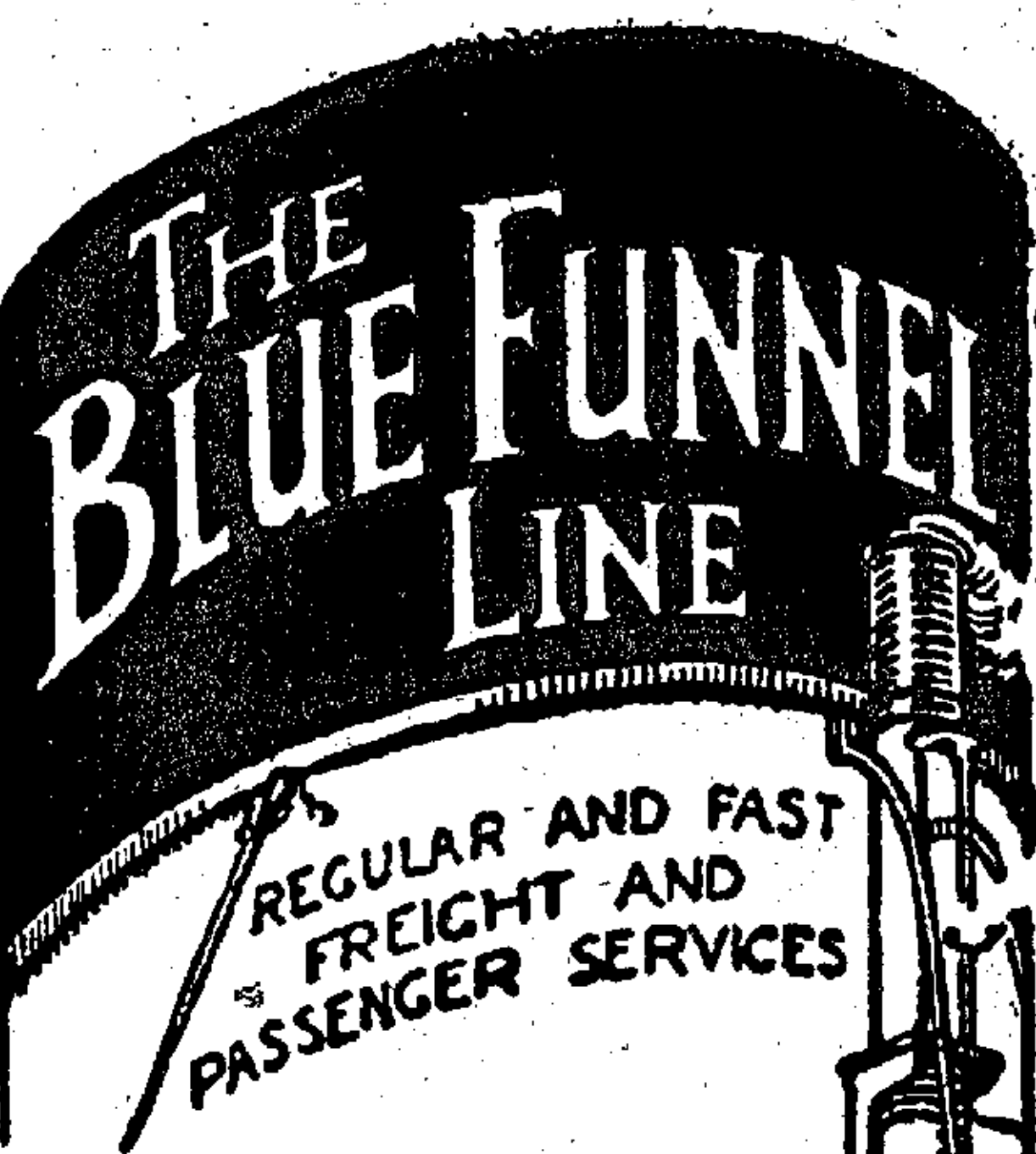
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There will be one collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence at 9 a.m.
The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

INWARD MAILS.

From	SUNDAY, AUGUST 4.	Per
Straits	Kitano Maru	4.
Australia and Manila	Tanda	5.
Japan	Canada Maru	5.
Shanghai and Swatow	Chengtu	5.
Manila	President Grant	5.
Shanghai	Patroclus	6.
U.S.A. (San Francisco, 12th July), Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Wilson	10.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	SATURDAY, AUGUST 3.	Per
Haiphong	Canton	1.30 p.m.
Sundakan	Mausang	1.30 p.m.
Ililo	Adrastrus	2.30 p.m.
Saigon	Prosper	3.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hsin Chang	3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Sun Nam King	4 p.m.
Manila	President Lincoln	4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Anhui	5 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Mao Lu	9 a.m.
Japan	Tanda	9 a.m.
Amoy	Tjilondari	9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kaying	9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	9 a.m.
Haiphong	Kwangtung	9 a.m.
Bangkok	Michael Jensen	9 a.m.
Swatow	Hydranges	9 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Kitano Maru	9 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Talamba	9 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Victoria B.C.	Parcels	Aug. 5, 9 a.m.
	Letters	9 a.m.
	President Grant (Due Victoria B.C. August 26)	
	Parcels	Aug. 5, 9 a.m.
	Registration	9 a.m.
	Letters	Aug. 6, 8.30 a.m.
TUESDAY, AUGUST 6.		
*Straits, Mombasa, L. Marques & South Africa	Canton Maru	9.30 a.m.
Wei Hai Wei via Swatow	Kweichow	12.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching	1 p.m.

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PRESS COMMENT

MACDONALD'S POLICY "ALL SAME" BALDWIN'S

"REDS" DISAPPOINTED

Moscow, Yesterday.
"A repetition of what Sir Austen Chamberlain (former Secretary for Foreign Affairs) maintained for two years" summarises the Soviet Press comment on the rupture in the London negotiations.

The "Isvestia" says that Mr. Henderson (Secretary for Foreign Affairs) has made more determined demands than those accompanying the recognition of the Soviet in 1924.

The "Pravda" expresses the opinion that Mr. MacDonald's and Mr. Baldwin's policies are identical—Reuter.

CANTON ITEMS

ANXIETY ABOUT TROUBLE PASSING

MILITARY & POLICE WATCH

Canton, Yesterday.
Only minor incidents occurred on Aug. 1 in Canton, notwithstanding the threat of the extremist agents to make trouble for the present Canton administration.
The military and the police have been watching the movements of the known leaders of the extremists.
Anxiety on account of possible trouble from Communists is passing—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

10 MILLION MARK

SURPLUS REVENUE IN HAND IN HONG KONG

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

On March 31, 1929, the Colony's balances stood at just over the ten million mark.

The Treasury's income in that month was \$2,057,806.18. Expenditure amounted to \$1,610,767.36, leaving a surplus (with balance carried forward) of \$1,030,441.24.

"The total revenue for the first three months of this year is \$6,006,358.45, which is higher than the \$5,790,255.03 for the same period in 1928. Land sales have gone up, and there are general increases under other heads, but miscellaneous receipts have gone down.

The total expenditure, on the other hand, is lower. In the first quarter last year it was \$4,323,840.00. This year it is \$3,795,051.08. The Police Force is the biggest item in the 1929 column, costing \$527,820 as against \$468,758 in 1928.

BODY DUMPED

CULPRIT TOO OLD FOR JAIL

An aged Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, with dumping the body of a small child in West Point.

Divisional Inspector Bloor told the Magistrate that there were no suspicious circumstances attached to the child's death. It was about three days old. Accused dumped it yesterday afternoon on the hill above Queen's road, near Sand-street.

Questioned by the Magistrate accused said that he had picked the body up in Woo Hup-street, Shek-tong-tai, and decided to dump it up the hill.

Magistrate: I suppose you have really been paid to do it. A man of your age ought to know better. You are cautioned.

His Worship remarked subsequently that he could not send a man of the accused's age to jail.

BURGLARY SEQUEL HIS MAJESTY & THE JAMBOREE

FOUR PERSONS AGAIN BEFORE MAGISTRATE

THE QUESTION OF BAIL

The Sincere burglary case was again mentioned before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, this morning, by Mr. J. M. Hall who applied for bail for the third of the four accused, a woman named Tong Kam, described as an amah, who is charged with receiving stolen property, namely, three jade pendants and three jade stones from a male accused named Yeung Ping-cheung.

Detective Sergeant Flattery said that the Police had no objection to bail now, and explained that Tong Kam was amah to the fourth accused.

Fourth accused is the young woman, Tam Kau-mui (23), who is now known in the case as the "Charming Lady." She is charged with receiving three jade stones from the other male accused, Tang Yee-hing, the man who is charged with having been concerned in the burglary. All the other three accused appeared in Court as receivers.

Replying to the Magistrate, Sergeant Flattery said that Tong Kam was in practically the same position as her mistress, Tam Kau-mui.

His Worship suggested that in that case he would give the same bail as that given to the other woman—\$500.

Mr. Hall said that he understood that the Police had no objection to bail of \$300 in this instance, as the accused was "only an amah."

His Worship remarked on the fact that accused was not present in Court. Mr. Hall: I am representing her.

Mr. Hamilton replied that he wondered if it was the right procedure to grant bail in the absence of an accused. Mr. Hall: I think so. I have bailed a good many persons out before.

Magistrate: The Police have no objection to \$300 bail, you say?

Sergeant Flattery: I think \$300, your Worship.

Bail was given in that sum. His Worship then inquired from Sergeant Flattery if any of the stolen property had been recovered.

Sergeant Flattery: Yes, everything is recovered, your Worship. The Magistrate was curious to know, in that case, where the money came from for bail. He had thought that it was part of the proceeds.

CONSTABLE'S FATE

COMMITTS SUICIDE WITH A REVOLVER

THREE YEARS IN FORCE

Indian Constable Sher Mohamed, B532, stationed at Pokfulam, committed suicide yesterday afternoon by shooting himself in the head with a service revolver in the station's storeroom.

A loud report coming from the storeroom at about 2.15 p.m., startled the others in the station. Several rushed to the storeroom and there they found Sher Mohamed lying dead in a pool of blood, the shot having taken instantaneous effect.

The body was removed to the Public Mortuary.

Sher Mohamed had been in the Hong Kong Police Force for about three years, and it is believed that he took his own life as the result of having been in ill health ever since his arrival here from India.

REPARATIONS

THE FORTHCOMING HAGUE CONFERENCE

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

Washington, Yesterday.
Mr. E. C. Wilson, First Secretary at the U.S. Embassy in Paris, will be the American observer at the forthcoming Hague Conference—Reuter's American Service.

SENDS MESSAGE

"PEACE OF WORLD DEPENDS UPON COMING GENERATION"

UNIQUE ASSEMBLY

London, Yesterday.

The Prince of Wales read, at the Jamboree, the following message from His Majesty the King:—

"This is a unique assembly, representative of the youth of all the great nations of the world. I ask them to remember it chiefly that upon the coming generation the future peace of the world depends."

His Majesty congratulated all the workers of the Jamboree, and added that it had given him great pleasure to mark this signal event in history by conferring a peerage upon their Chief Scout.

Another Generous Gift
Mr. T. Whitehead, of Perthshire, has handed Lord Baden-Powell \$5,000 for the Boy Scouts' Association of Great Britain—Reuter.

[To-day it was announced that Mr. Mortimer L. Schiff, of Messrs. Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the famous New York bankers, had given the Prince of Wales £10,000 to establish a fund for the promotion of international friendship among boys.]

"GRAF ZEPPELIN"

WIRELESS MESSAGE STATES "ALL WELL"

FLYING THE ATLANTIC

Casablanca, Yesterday.

At 12.30 this afternoon a wireless message from the "Graf Zeppelin" was picked up, stating that the airship was 600 miles west of Gibraltar and that "all is well."—Reuter.

"Going Strong"
New York, Yesterday.

The "Graf Zeppelin" was reported at 9 p.m. (Greenwich mean time) to have passed San Miguel (Azores) and "going strong."

The Atlantic weather reports are good—Reuter's American Service.

"TOBACCO KING"

MR. BERNHARD BARON PASSES AWAY

RICH AND GENEROUS

London, Yesterday.

The millionaire tobacco magnate, Mr. Bernhard Baron, has died suddenly, aged 78. Baron, a poor Russo-Jewish emigrant, went to America, and later settled in England.

His charitable benefactions are estimated at \$2,000,000. He had frequently avowed his determination to die poor—Reuter.

TOBACCO CASE

"PRIVILEGES OF GOVERNMENT SERVANT"

K.C.R. EMPLOYEE FINED

He has been doing this for three and a half years, in spite of the fact that I warned him not to," was the statement made by Traffic Inspector F. Winyard of the Kowloon Railway, when Leung Sang (28), a signaller employed at the Hung Hom Station, was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith for having in his possession 15 lb. of prepared Chinese tobacco and 180 packets of cigarettes without paying duty on them.

Revenue Officer T. Tallon said that defendant was arrested yesterday at Sun-chun by Mr. Winyard, and when asked what he had in his packet the answer was "tea". On searching the packets Mr. Winyard found the cigarettes and tobacco and immediately took possession. On informing R. O. Tallon the latter went to defendant's cubicle in 8 Pilken Street, and there discovered a few parcels of tobacco and a scale pan which to all appearances had been used.

His Worship intimated that defendant must have had a little business in tobacco on his own, to which Mr. Tallon replied in the affirmative.

The Revenue Officer went on to say that this smuggling of tobacco to Sun-chun had been done often and that it was very hard for them to catch them.

His Worship fined defendant \$200 and three months' jail with an extra month in default of payment of fine, and ordered the confiscation of the tobacco.

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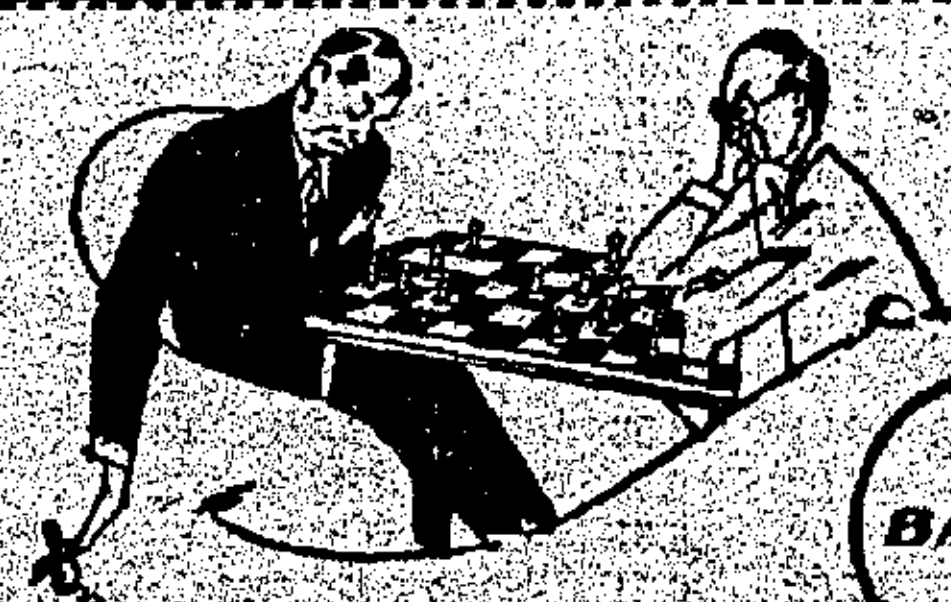
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